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EIGHTH ARMY'S ADVANCE CONTINUES WESTWARD

Castel Benito Captured

U. S. Troops In Action At Maknassi: Enemy Advance In Ouselltia Valley Stopped

CAIRO, January 25.

Reuter's special correspondent at Cairo says, Castel Benito is in Allied hands.

A considerable number of Axis troops have reached the Mareth line.

Air activity is slackening as targets afforded by the fleeing Afrika Korps dwindle.

The capture of Castel Benito a few miles south of Tripoli with its air field and facilities is of the greatest significance.

THAT AXIS TROOPS ARE REACHING THE MARETH LINE IS INDICATED BY ALLIED AIR FORCE ATTACKS AS FAR WEST AS MEDANIN BEN GARDANA AND THE GENERAL AREA OF THE TUNISIAN FRONTIER.

THE ALLIED AIR FORCES ARE MOVING UP VERY FAST AND ARE NOW OPERATING FROM THE GEBEL AREA.

THE WORK OF PREPARING TRIPOLI AS A NEW BASE IS ALREADY UNDER WAY. REPAIR WORK HAS BEEN STARTED ON DAMAGED BUILDINGS AND INSTALLATIONS, RUBBLE BEING REMOVED AND DEMOLITION DEBRIS FROM THE HARBOUR CLEARED AWAY.

AFTER TWO DAYS AND ONE NIGHT THE CITY HAS ALREADY A TIDIER LOOK. IT IS SETTLING DOWN TO NEW LIFE.

THE POPULATION ARE ORDERLY AND CALM AND HAVE ACCEPTED THE CHANGE WITHOUT INCIDENT.

Greatest Advance Ever

Reuter's special correspondent outside Tripoli cables:

When the Eighth Army's desert columns, dust-begrimed and unshaven, arrived at the southern gate in the hills of Tripoli they had completed one of the greatest advances ever carried out by a modern army.

The columns were outside the city well up to schedule in spite of some of the heaviest going in North Africa.

The drive of the desert columns was not a thrust secondary to the infantry advance along the coast road through Misurata. On the contrary on this push following up the main Axis fighting forces depended the success of the coastal advance.

Through the great wilderness of sand, rocks, escarpments and deep in hospitable ravines wide enough to hold a large English provincial town, General Montgomery sent his main fighting forces consisting of tanks, guns, lorries, infantry armoured cars and sappers.

Behind these followed a great caravanserai of trucks carrying supplies needed for running an army.

Amazing Achievement

It was an amazing achievement Night and day the chase went on

The main actions fought on the way were against Axis rearguards. In these British tanks overran Italian and German gun positions which were trying to hold up our advance.

A great feature of the advance was the speed with which the R. A. F. followed up.

Apart from Stuka attacks the Axis air force were unable to hamper the drive which was executed under cover of Allied fighters and bombers.

Units of the Seventh Armoured Division—the famous 'Desert Rats'—were among the first to enter Tripoli.

French Successes

The Brazzaville radio broadcast the following communique from General Leclerc's Fighting French Headquarters:

"On January 20 after stubborn fighting motorised troops captured the strongly held enemy positions near Misda. Much booty was taken.

On the next day our troops occupied Misda—an enemy centre of resistance very strongly held in order to prevent access from the south to the territories further north occupied by the Eighth Army.

The retreating enemy left the dead and wounded and much of their material on the field".

Misda mentioned in General Leclerc's communique is about a hundred miles due south of Tripoli and about 1,430 miles from Fort Lamy where General Leclerc's drive started.—Reuter.

WESTWARD ADVANCE

CAIRO:—It is Officially announced that the Eighth Army's advance westward continues.

Allied air forces battered the harbour of Zuara, landing ground at Ben Gardane and also Medinine, 60 miles west of the frontier.

In attacks on Axis shipping Allied airforce torpedoed two merchant vessels off Sicily and scored a direct hit on a destroyer.

LONDON.—It was stated authoritatively in London on Monday that there is no confirmation of the reports that the Eighth Army patrols crossed the frontier into Tunisia last night.

ADVANCE TO WEST

Monday's Middle East joint war 'communique' states: Yesterday our troops continued their advance to the west. "Allied fighter bombers continuing their harassing operations attacked small shipping attempting to escape from the harbour at Zuara 60 miles west of Tripoli. In addition a large-scale fighter bomber attack was carried out on Ben Gardane landing ground. 'Junkers' 88 was shot down in combat and other damage was inflicted on grounded aircraft. On Saturday a small force of our light bombers attacked the landing ground and started fires at Medinine 60 miles west of the Tripolitania-Tunisia frontier. Dispersed vehicles in the frontier area were also successfully attacked.

ENEMY VESSELS SET ON FIRE

Palermo harbour was bombed during the same night and fires were started. Two south-bound enemy merchant vessels were torpedoed and set on fire by our aircraft north of Sicily. One of the ships broke in two after an explosion and the other was last seen burning furiously. One of the escorting destroyers also received a direct bomb hit. Extensive intruder operations continued against shipping off Cape Bon and Pantellar, targets in Sicily and on vehicles on the coastal road in Tunisia. Yesterday Allied fighter bombers attacked various targets on the south coast of Sicily and hits were scored on railway tracks and buildings. From the above operations two of our aircraft did not return.

24 AXIS PLANES SHOT DOWN

The Morocco Radio early this afternoon reported that Axis Air activity in Tripolitania is becoming weaker and weaker. Twenty-four Axis planes have been shot down during the last 24 hours, the announcer said.

Six Axis ships have been sent to the bottom. Three were sunk by British aircraft off the coast and three were torpedoed, by submarines. Allied forces are hammering Rommel's retreating columns without respite.

The Algiers Radio Broadcast the following communique from Allied headquarters in North Africa:—"The enemy advance in Ousseltia valley has been stopped. Our forces patrolled north of Ousseltia. A raid by American troops of Maknassi resulted in the capture of 80 enemy prisoners. 50 prisoners were captured in the British sector. Fighters made many sweeps in support of our ground forces.

BIZERTA DOCKS RAIDED

On the night of January 23|24 bombers attacked the docks at Bizerta and vehicles on the road east of Kairouan. Yesterday the harbour at Sousse and the airfield near Medenine were bombed. At least one ship was hit and damage was done to airfield. One small formation of enemy fighters which attacked our bombers was destroyed. One of our aircraft is missing from the day's operations. One of our aircraft previously reported as missing has returned. Within the last few weeks Ville De Quebec, a corvette of the Royal Canadian Navy commanded by Lt. Com Robert Ernest Colman and manned entirely by Canadians has destroyed a German submarine in the Western Mediterranean.

U. S. TROOPS IN ACTION AT MAKNASSI

Rommel Faced With Dilemma

LONDON, JAN. 25.

UNITED STATES TROOPS WERE TO-DAY REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN IN ACTION AT MAKNASSI LESS THAN 50 MILES FROM ROMMEL'S LINE OF RETREAT ALONG THE TUNISIAN COAST. THE LATEST REPORTS OF ROMMEL'S RACE TOWARDS TUNISIA SHOWED HIM BEING PURSUED BY THE EIGHTH ARMY AND HARASSED BY THE R. A. F. OVER 100 MILE STRETCH OF THE MEDITERRANEAN COAST ROAD RUNNING FROM INSIDE THE TRIPOLITANIA BORDER AS FAR AS THE MARETH LINE.

To-day's communique from Allied headquarters in North Africa disclosed that the Americans whose strength was not stated had taken 80 prisoners in their raid on Maknassi. Maknassi is some 50 miles east of Gafsa held by the French. The communique also said "the enemy advance in the Ouselltia valley has been stopped."

The Morocco radio said to-day that while the R. A. F continued to pound Rommel's retreating columns the Axis air force in Tripolitania was growing "weaker and weaker."

ROMMEL'S DILEMMA

Rommel is faced with a dilemma, says Reuter's military correspondent. His best plan would seem to be to get back to Tunisia to join up with von Arnim and form a strong Axis bastion against First and Eighth armies But he must also consider whether his men can stand the strain of continued non-stop retreat. They had some weeks of rest at Agheila and 17 days at Beurat. By the time they get to the Mareth line it may be necessary for them to stop again. A delaying action of at least a few days might then occur in this position—that is supposing the Allies allow him such respite.—Reuter.

FRENCH 1933 CLASS RESERVISTS CALLED UP

LONDON, Jan. 25.

The Morocco radio states that French army reservists in North Africa of 1933 class are to join their units to-day.—Reuter.

AMERICANS SEIZE IMPORTANT POSITIONS

WASHINGTON: Two hundred Japanese were killed on Guadalcanar on January 22nd and 23rd. Americans captured important positions and seized supplies, reports a Navy Department "communique" on Monday.

A large Japanese destroyer and cargo ship were damaged by bombs in the Shortland area.—Reuter.

17 JAP FIGHTERS SHOT DOWN

LONDON, Jan. 25.

The South-West Pacific 'communique' states:—

Since Thursday, 17 Japanese "Zero" fighters have been shot down in the Wewak area and another eight damaged and probably lost out of 52 "Zeros" attempting to intercept Allied liberators. No Allied planes were lost.—Reuter.

R. A. F. ATTACK ON BURMA TARGETS

NEW DELHI, Jan. 25.

Last night R.A.F. bombers raided the Japanese Aerodrome at Shwebo in Burma, says India Command Joint War "communique."

Our aircraft attacked from a fairly low altitude and all their bombs were seen to burst in the dispersed areas. Bombs were also dropped on enemy occupied villages on Akyab island.

During offensive patrols yesterday, three buildings were damaged at Gangaw and small shipping was attacked on the Arakan coast. None of our aircraft is missing.—A. P.

DAYLIGHT ATTACK AGAINST RANGOON

NEW DELHI, Jan. 25.

Bomber and fighter units of the Tenth U. S. Air Force were again active in Burma yesterday, says a "communique" issued from Rear Echelon Headquarters United States Army forces China-Burma-India. Heavy bombers made a daylight attack against docks and shipping at Rangoon. Many hits were scored on the docks, and two direct hits were made on a merchant vessel of approximately 6,000 tons.

Fighters and fighter bombers carried out a bombing and strafing raid against Japanese storage areas at Shaduzup. In northern Burma demolition and fragmentation bombs were dropped in the target area which was then heavily strafed with machine-gun fire, leaving buildings in flames. —A. P.

Big Round-up In Marseilles

LONDON, Jan 25.

The Vichy French police have arrested 6,000 people in Marseilles "to safeguard order in the city", said the Vichy radio this morning The arrests were made following searches.

About 1,000 bars of cafes in the city have been ordered to close. —Reuter.

FLYING FORTRESSES ATTACK JAP KEY BASE

From Reuter's Special correspondent at advanced New Guinea base:—For the second day running Flying Fortresses have delivered a smashing blow at Rabaul, Japan's key base in the South-west Pacific. The raid was concentrated on Rabaul's aerodromes. Fires started on the runways and dispersal areas were visible seventy-five miles away.

Keeping up their daily attacks against Japan's remaining bases New Guinea Liberators, Mitchells and Havocs made a sweep down the coast to the mouth of the Marbario river. The damage is believed to be extreme at Balamaua where direct hits were scored on buildings. Direct hits were scored on three anti-aircraft gun positions at Lae. Many buildings at the aerodrome were destroyed or damaged.

More Axis Shipping Sunk In C. Mediterranean

LONDON, Jan. 25.

It is officially announced that British submarines have sunk more Axis shipping in the Central Mediterranean.—Reuter.

Sarkar Explains Government Plans For Food Supply

No All-India Rationing: Provincial Govts. Asked To Submit Schemes

NEW DELHI, January 25.

THE FOOD MEMBER, MR. N. R. SARKAR, SPEAKING AT A PRESS CONFERENCE THIS EVENING ANNOUNCED THAT "IN ORDER TO PROVIDE EARLY RELIEF FOR THE WHEAT SHORTAGE, THE GOVERNMENT HAVE ARRANGED FOR SUBSTANTIAL IMPORT OF WHEAT DURING THE COMING THREE MONTHS. THIS WHEAT WILL NOT, AS IN THE CASE OF THE IMPORTS ARRANGED LAST YEAR, BE INTENDED FOR THE DEFENCE FORCES ALONE.

Secondly as already announced today it has been decided to withdraw the statutory maximum prices for wheat. It is believed that this step will do much to restore trading confidence in the wheat producing areas.

Thirdly the Food Department shortly propose to embark on a widespread publicity campaign for putting the true facts of the position before the public in India

HOARDERS BEWARE

Finally as regards those persons who are hoarding for profiteering motives, it is as well they be warned now that stringent measures are to be taken against them and that the penalty of confiscation without payment of any kind is contemplated in extreme cases."

Referring to rationing Mr. Sarkar said that the difficulties of rationing the whole population of India were obvious The Rationing of Urban and Industrial areas was, however, a more practicable proposition and Provincial Governments had been requested to make preliminary arrangements so that they might be in a position to introduce rationing without undue delay should this course be found necessary.

NOT DUE TO EXPORTS

Mr. Sarkar asserted that the suggestion that the present shortage was due to excessive exports from this country had no foundation. The average annual exports from India of foodgrains from the beginning of war to the end of November 1942 for Civil and Military needs was less than the average of annual exports for the three years immediately preceding the war. The Defence Department had also assisted by releasing certain amount of stock and by agreeing to the scheme of joint purchasing agency.

After explaining the plans for the future, as set out in the Government "communique" Mr. Sarkar said:—

"To achieve these objects it is essential for Government to retain control over the movement of foodgrains, which is left to the free play of economic forces would be attracted to where the prices were highest and not necessarily where the need was most acute."

Mr. Sarkar added that the distribution of foodgrains would remain with the Provincial Governments, who had been asked to submit their schemes for distribution for the approval of the Government of India.

ROLE OF BR. EXPERT

Asked what would be the functions of the British expert who was being imported into India, Mr. Sarkar said that he would advise on matters relating to food rationing distribution and how a similar situation was met in Great Britain.—A. P.

The Bombay Government's order calling for returns of stocks exceeding 25 maunds of sugar and sugar products (sugar candy, lissa sugar and bura sugar) applies to all persons holding stocks of sugar, and not only to sugar dealers.

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THREAT TO KHARKOV SHAPING

LONDON: Reuter's military correspondent says the threat to Kharkov is taking shape. The German admission that "the bridgehead of Voronezh has been evacuated according to plan" may reveal a further and greater encircling movement—toward Kursk.

The Germans were held at Voronezh in their offensive last July. Even should the main body of German troops in the Caucasus reach Rostov before the Russians close the bottle-neck the German High Command must already be concerned about its communications much farther back owing to the threat to Kharkov through which the main arterial line of communications from Germany now passes

SITUATION AROUND STALINGRAD

LONDON: The German radio in a broadcast on Monday night said: "The situation around Stalingrad has become more acute, after the Soviet break-throughs in the north and west. The ring aroud the German forces has become tighter still".—Reuter.

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Red Offensive On Voronezh Sector

Enemy Now Bending Under Hammer Blows On Southern Front

MOSCOW, Jan. 25.

The supplement to the Soviet midday "communique" says:—On the southern front, a Russian unit repelled counter-attacks, and on the heels of the retreating enemy, stormed a strongly fortified inhabited locality. In another sector, Soviets captured two large inhabited localities. On the south-western front they continued the offensive and occupied several inhabited localities. There was especially fierce fighting for one of these localities which changed hands several times. By infantry attack, the Germans were routed in hand-to-hand fighting.

The Germans who lost one battalion in killed and wounded retreated.

RED OFFENSIVE ON VORONEZH FRONT

On the Voronezh front Soviet troops continued successful offensive operations. One encircled German group was liquidated and 1,100 prisoners were captured. A Soviet unit in stubborn fighting occupied one inhabited locality.

In the northern Caucasus Soviets captured dozens of inhabited localities. Guard units advanced some 30 to 40 kilometres (19 to 25 miles). Eight-hundred Germans were killed and 100 prisoners taken.

ADVANCE ON N. CAUCASUS FRONT

Reuter's special correspondent in Moscow says: Crack Soviet Guards have swept forward another 25 miles on the Northern Caucasus front, where the Red Army is threatening Tikhoretsk, the last way out from the Caucasus for Germany's battle-worn troops. Coming from the Kuban steppes another Russian force is helping to establish a double squeeze against Tikhoretsk, and both are remoreselessly keeping up their pressure. The Tikhoretsk rail junction marks the crossing of the two great railway arteries in southern Russia—the Rostov-Baku line from north to south and the Stalingrad-Novorossisk line from east to west. It is at Tikhoretsk that the main oil pipe line from the Caucasus starts on its last straight run to Rostov.

LONDON: Over £25,000 worth of hospital linen has been dispatched to Russia since Christmas by the Comforts Fund for women and children of Soviet Russia.

ADVANCE ALL ROUND

The morning despatch from Reuter's special correspondent from Moscow adds: Moving westwards across Stavropol plateau the right wing of the Soviet Caucasus army has advanced a further dozen miles towards Tikhoretsk capturing the towns of Molotovskoe, 45 miles south of Salsk and Bezopasnoe 60 miles south-east of Salsk From the south-east the main Caucasus forces striking north-east from Armavir along the Baku-Rostov railway have got within 22 miles of Kropotkin, another key rail town 40 miles south-east of Tikhoretsk, these forces have captured Kaminnobrodskya 21 miles north-east of Armavir. North of Rostov Soviet forces by their capture of Starobelsk, 75 miles south-east of Valuiki have cut the Valuiki-Kondrashevika railroad for the third time in three days. Another column has taken Shuginka 17 miles south of Starobelsk which brings the Russians out on the western side of this railway line

"VORONEZH WAS NEVER LOST"

LONDON: Voronezh, the "key-point of the Southern Front," was never lost by Russians, writes Reuter's Military Correspondent. At one time the Germans, who had actually claimed the capture of the City in July last, may have had a foothold within the area of the City but they never succeeded in occupying it. It was determined Soviet resistance at Voronezh which paved the way for the defence of Stalingrad and ultimately to the Soviet counter-offensive.

BENDING UNDER HAMMER BLOWS

In the Caucasus Cossack squadrons driving on Kropotkin have advanced another 25 miles overnight outflanking the retreating Germans and cutting their rear communications with Rostov and the Black Sea Coast. The whole left wing of the German armies on the southern front is now bending under day and night blows of the Red Army

Hitler's southern front bases of Kursk and Kharkov, are equally threatened tonight as Gen. Golikov's men drive west and northwest from their new positions south-west of Voronezh His troops are already within sight of cutting the Voronezh-Kursk railway thus still more endangering the critical position of the German armies on this front.—Reuter

SOVIET TANKS CRASH INTO UKRAINE

LONDON, Jan. 24.

General Vatutin's tanks on the southern flank of the Soviet drive to envelop Kharkov have crashed forward into the Ukraine and seized the town and railway station of Starobelsk—midway along the branch railway from Valuiki to Voroshilovgrad.

The capture of the town 130 miles south-east of Kharkov was reported in a special announcement on Sunday from Moscow.

Soviet forces advancing in a parallel thrust to the north are now less than 90 miles from Kharkov and are driving forward from Urazova near Valuiki.

38 MILES FROM LISICHANSK

The Soviet Information Bureau announced on Sunday night. On January 24, our forces on the south western front, as the result of a determined attack, captured the town and railway station of Starobelsk.

Starobelsk is 38 miles north-east of Lisichansk and is connected with Valuiki, from which point Soviet forces are threatening Kharkov, 90 miles distant. The cutting of this railway was mentioned in a Soviet 'communique' a few days ago.

GERMANS IN FULL FLIGHT

Reuter's special correspondent in Moscow writes:— To-day the Germans in the Caucasus are in full flight and Soviet troops are pressing forward on their heels at a tremendous speed anxious to destroy as many stragglers and to seize as much materials as possible before the Nazis are finally driven from the Kuban.

Superior Russian strategy and superior Russian fighting power have been too much for them. The Russians are clearly aiming to cut the railway south of Rostov at one or more points before the Nazis can complete their enforced evacuation of the Kuban.

As the Nazi position grows steadily worse along the whole length of the front, the relations between the Germans and the satellite troops are also steadily deteriorating.

One Rumanian division encircled near Stalingrad actually discussed the possibility of trying to hack its way through both the Russian and German lines and gathering strength from other Rumanians on the way trying to fight back to Bucharest.

MANY DISTRICT CENTRES CAPTURED

The Soviet midnight communique on Sunday after repeating the special announcement added, "Our troops also occupied the large inhabited localities of Paulouka Bakhmutovka and one other as well as the railway station of Krasno-Ozerovka.

Our troops on the Trans-Caucasian front captured the district centres of Peschanokopskoe and Molotovskaya and several large inhabited localities as well as the railway station of Pleshenokopka.

During the week-ended January 23, 162 enemy aircraft were destroyed in air combat and one enemy aerodrome. Our losses in the same period were 75 aircraft.

Between January 1 and 15 our warships in the Barnets Sea have sunk 9 enemy transports and one coastguard vessel of a total tonnage of 51,000"

TWO TRAINS SMASHED

The supplement to the midnight communique said:—On the southern front our forces are developing their offensive and repelling enemy counter-attacks.

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Public Health Deptt.,
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J. N. DUGGAN,
Sheriff of Bombay.
Bombay, 25th January, 1943.

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Date:— 26|1|43.

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TENDER NOTICE

THE CONTROLLER OF SUPPLIES (Purchase Branch), Ahmedabad House, Wittet Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay invites tenders for the stores detailed below:—

1. TOILET PAPER SUPERIOR QUALITY.
2. TOILET PAPER COMMON.

Tender No. SY/8A/3617

Tenders can be obtained from the office of the Controller of Supplies (Purchase Branch), Bombay free of cost and the samples can also be seen in the above office.

Tenders will be received upto 4 P.M. on 5-2-43.

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TENDER NOTICE

THE CONTROLLER OF SUPPLIES, (Purchase Branch), Ahmedabad House, Wittet Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay, invites tenders for the stores detailed below:—

'MUTTON TALLOW in 4 gallon tins'—200 Cwts.

Tender No. SY/8A/3672.

Price of tender form is Rs. 3/- per set and is not refundable and the forms are not transferable. Payment should be made in cash or by Money Order only to the Controller of Supplies, (Purchase Branch) Bombay, quoting tender No. and remitter's full address on the coupon.

Tenders will be received upto 4 p.m. on 1-2-43.

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G. I. P. RAILWAY

THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, A.R.P. Works, G.I.P. Railway, Bombay, invites tenders upto 15 hours on 2-2-43 for the construction of:—

1 Medical Aid Post at Dadar,
1 Medical Aid Post at Thana.

The form of Tender, Schedule and Conditions of Contract separately for each station, can be obtained from his office on payment of Rs. 2/- per set. Plans for the work will be supplied on an additional payment of Rs. 3/- being made. These sums will not be refunded.

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Legal Notices

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION

Suit No. 1263 of 1940

NARAYAN SITARAM MANKAR ..... Plaintiff.

versus

VISHWANATH DHONDIRAM KARMASE & Ors. ..... Defendants

PURSUANT to Decree Absolute for Sale, dated 9th April, 1942, and Judges Order, dated 22nd January, 1943, the following immovable property will be sold by Public Auction by the Commissioner of this Hon'ble Court at his Office in the Court House on FRIDAY, 5th February, 1943, at 4-30 P. M. (S.T.).

PARTICULARS.

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For further particulars and conditions of Sale, application should be made at the office of the said Commissioner or at the office of Messrs. CAMA & JAYAKAR, Attorneys for the plaintiff abovenamed, at Yusuf Building, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Fort, Bombay.

Dated this 23rd day of January, 1943.

(Sd.) ARMAND F. SEQUEIRA,
Commissioner.

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Public Notices

TENDER NOTICE

THE CONTROLLER OF SUPPLIES (Purchase Branch), Ahmedabad House, Wittet Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay, invites offers for Belt threading machines and Belt lacing machines. Offers should be submitted on the firm's own forms, giving full particulars and quantity available and quoting tender No. MP/8C/Misc. 836.

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City And Suburbs

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Sunrise: 8-15 a.m. Sunset: 7-17 p.m.
Highttide: 2-42, 14-55. Lowtide: 8-55, 20-30

AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

CAPITOL—"Stronger Than Desire" 4, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
REGAL—"Invisible Agent" 4, 6-30 and 9-30
LAMINGTON—"Ek-Raat" 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
BROADWAY—"Dillagi" 4-30, 7-15 and 10
STRAND—"International Squadron" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
LIGHT HOUSE—"Navy Blues" 4-30, 7 and 10 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"Fight for Peace" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
SUPER—"Gora Kumbhar" 4-15, 7 and 9-45 p.m.
MINERVA—"Sharda" 4-45, 7-15 and 9-45
METRO—"Gay Sisters" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30
CHITRA—"Khan-Daan" 3, 6-15 and 9-30 p.m.
APOLLO—"Asra" 4-30, 7 and 10 p.m.
AURORA—"Pardon My Sarong" 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
PALACE—"Dumbo" 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
EDWARD—"Swami" 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Ever Yours" 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m
NEW WEST-END—"Zamindar" 3, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Ten O'Clock" 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
NOVELTY—"Haso-Haso" 4-30, 7 and 10
ROXY—"Kismet" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p. m.
MAJESTIC—"Basant" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30
OPERA HOUSE—"Surdas" 5, 7-30 and 10
EROS—"Orchestra Wives" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30
HIND-MATA—"Chandni" 4-30, 7-15 and 10
KOHINOOR—"Vasant Sena" 4, 7 and 10
CITY LIGHT—"Purnima" 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Jawab" 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
SWASTIK—"Jawani" 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.

NOTICE TO JURYMEN: Special Jurors' attention is drawn to the notice appearing in the Public Notifications Column.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

We have received the following: a wall calendar from the Ahmed Mills, Bombay; a table calendar from Patanwala Ltd., Bombay.

To-day's Engagements

GATHA SOCIETY: A public meeting of the Gatha Society will be held to-day (Tuesday) at 6 p.m. (S.T.) at the K. R. Cama Oriental Institute, 136, Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay, when Mr. Sorabji Nowroji Kanga, will give a discourse in Gujarati on "Source of later Pahlavi-Pazand Nirangs in the Farvardin Yasht."

RAMAKRISHNA VIVEKANANDA CENTRE: Mr. D. V. Sabnis will conduct a class on 'Dnyaneswari' in Marathi at 7-15 p.m. to-day (Tuesday) at the Centre premises, at 64, Portuguese Church Street, Dadar, B. B. and C. I. Railway.

SRI THYAGARAJA SABHA: S. Anandkrishnan will give a recital of Carnatic music with suitable accompaniments at 8-30 p.m. to-day (Tuesday) under the auspices of Sri Thyagaraja Sabha, Telang Road, Matunga (G.I.P.).

DATTU BANDEKAR ON AIR: Mr. Dattu Bandekar, well-known Marathi humorist and editor of the "Bharat" will speak on the Bombay Radio, to-day (Tuesday) at 7 p.m. on the subject of "Humorist at large."

SIR RATAN TATA WELFARE CENTRE: The Parsi Pro-Freedom Group will meet in the Rooms of the Indian Merchants' Chambers to-day (Tuesday), at 6 p.m.

ENGINEERING WORKERS' UNION: The Secretary of the Union writes:—The workers of the Gas Company have placed certain demands through the Engineering Workers' Union, Bombay, before the management of the Company. They have given a notice to that effect. One of their demands is with regards to the long awaited fixation of minimum wage and the grades. Also they have asked for bonus, increase in 'dearness allowance'. One month's leave with pay is also figuring in the demand.

RAJAPUR TALUKA MARATHA SIKSHAN SANSTHA.

A public meeting of the Maratha inhabitants of the Rajapur Taluka was held yesterday at the Samaj Seva Sangh, Parel, in support of the Sanstha, Bhau Saheb Shinde, presided.

The president in his speech stressed the importance of education. He also mentioned that this educational institute is in existence, for the last 20 years and deserved every help. He gave a handsome donation to the Sanstha. Messrs. Wable and Palav also supported the cause.

Talk Of The Suburbs

(BY A SUBURBAN MAN.)

A gathering of over a 1,000 revellers attended the moonlight dance organised by the Entertainment Committee of the Bombay Suburban Defence Loans Committee, at the Palmgrove Hotel, Juhu, on Saturday night, in aid of the Indian Red Cross Fund. The fund will benefit by at least Rs. 5,000.

The success of this function is due to the hardworking chairman of this committee, Mr. Akbar N. Chinoy.

There were two bands in attendance. Some articles were auctioned. Sir Sultan Chinoy, in his presidential speech appealed to the gathering to support the Governor's Red Cross Fund. Mr. D. J. Ferreira, proposed a vote of thanks. Mrs. Akbar Chinoy distributed the prizes.

MR. SWAMI FOUND GUILTY

Sentenced To 9 Months' R. I.

BOMBAY, Monday.

Judgment was delivered to-day in the case in which Mr. C. K. Narayenswami, a sub-editor of the "Bombay Chronicle" stood charged with possessing Congress bulletins and other literature containing prejudicial reports. It took the Magistrate more than an hour and a half to read the judgment and pronounce the sentence. Mr. Swami was found guilty, and sentenced to nine months' rigorous imprisonment.

The public prosecutor Mr. Munsif requested the Magistrate to take a serious view of the case in view of the fact that the accused had employed his talents for a purpose prejudicial to the successful prosecution of the war.

His Worship commented upon every exhibit produced in the Court, and held that some of them contained prejudicial reports which offended against rule 34-6 of the Defence of India Rules. At the outset he narrated the circumstances under which Mr. Swami was arrested. He further explained the legal meaning of "a prejudicial report". A prejudicial report, said he, was a report, statement or visible representation, whether true or false, the publication of which was an incitement to the commission of a prejudicial act as defined in the Defence of India Rules. Accordingly, said the Magistrate, the photos seized from Mr. Swami, were also under the category of prejudicial reports. These together with some other exhibits, were, in his opinion not only intended to excite disaffection towards the Governmemnt established by law in British India, but also to promote feelings of enmity between different classes of British subjects, namely, European British and Indian British subjects, and to cause fear and alarm to the public. Certain other prejudicial reports, in the opinion of the Magistrate, intended to prejudice members of His Majesty's forces and public servants.

The Magistrate further held that looking to the facts of the case he was satisfied that the accused had possessed the documents intentionally and knowingly. As an educated man, working on the editorial staff of the "Bombay Chronicle" he knew he had no lawful authority or excuse to possess such reports. He therefore found him guilty of possessing them.

After pronouncing the sentence the Magistrate ordered the confiscation of all the prejudicial reports also the typewriter which were found in residential quarters of the accused.

He further directed certain documents to be returned to the accused.

High Court

High Court Makes Grant Of Administration

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Kania)

Re-Estate of Cowasji Sorabji Minibeck alias Mistry ..... Deceased.
Framroze Shapurji Shroff and Others ..... Petitioners

The deceased who died on 7th December 1942, at the age of 68, intestate and unmarried, left an estate of about Rs. 20 lakhs. The petitioners, were some of his next-of-kin. No will of the deceased could be found. The petitioners therefore presented the present application, undertaking to apply for letters of Administration and to pay the proper Probate Duty after they had collected all the assets belonging to the estate of the deceased and praying for exemption from payment of any duties till then.

The respondents also were some of the heirs of the deceased.

At the hearing, His Lordship by consent of parties made a grant of administration to the third petitioner Rustomji Pestonji Nadirshaw limited to the collection and preservation of the property of the deceased (ad colligenda bona) under Section 253 of the Indian Succession Act, 1925. The third petitioner undertook to deposit whatever assets he collected with Messrs. Little and Co.. Solicitors (who agreed not to claim a lien upon them) till the Court gave further directions. This consent order was without prejudice to the right of Bhikhaiji Rustomji Pochkhanawalla, a sister of the deceased (5th respondent) to join in applying for letters of administration.

The Advocate-General instructed by Messrs. Little and Co., appeared for the petitioners.

Sir Jamshedji Kanga instructed by Little and Co., appeared for respondents 1 to 4.

Mr. Murzban J. Mistree instructed by Messrs. Kharas and Co., appeared for respondents 5 to 7.

BUDGET DISCUSSION IN CORPORATION

Frantic efforts were made on Monday afternoon to make a quorum of 15 councillors in the Municipal Corporation and a few handful of councilors who came early had to wait for about 20 minutes before 15 councillors' names could be put on the attendance register to start work.

Dr. J. A. Collaco was voted to the chair and debate of budget estimates as presented by the Municipal Commissioner and revised by the Standing Committee was proceeded with.

Prof. S. R. Davar pleaded for the property owners who were already over-taxed and suggested re-valuation of property, especially of industrial concerns. He thought the Schools Committee deserved more sympathetic treatment in the matter of grants but unfortunately, the Municipal Corporation's resources were limited. He pointed out the failure of prohibition, and urged the house to increase the amount of cash balance.

Mr. Madhavlal M. Bhat said for the past ten years they were having deficit budget and yet he was glad to say that the Municipal Commissioner or the Standing Committee had not recommended fresh taxation. He then suggested several methods of increasing municipal income.

He suggested the following ways and means of increasing municipal income:—

(1) Strict watch over the building activities and revising the valuation of properties; (2) Government should be requested to sanction the revised schedule of fees submitted to them a few years back; (3) Duty of gas, electricity etc.; (4) Water supply should be given to houseowners by meter. The poor and labouring class should however be supplied with free supply of water; (5) Licences to hawkers should be given more freely; (6) The licence fee charged at present to oil companies should be increased. These Companies are making huge profits and they will not grudge to pay a higher licence fee; and (7) Government be requested to increase the Entertainment tax on higher class tickets and to give a portion of this tax to the Corporation.

The Municipal Commissioner emphasised the better condition of the city by quoting mortality figures of Calcutta, Ahmedabad and other cities. This year, he said, the municipal revenue was low in view of the fall in the Town Duty, as import of sugar, grains and timber had ceased. Referring to the K. E. M. Hospital, he said it was working beyond capacity and they would have to make provision for a small hospital or a few dispensaries in the north of the city to meet with the increasing demand for medical relief.

SHAIKH'S THANKS.

Dr. G. R. A. Shaikh, Chairman of Standing Committee, closing up the debate thanked Mr. V. V. Shaligram, the Chief Accountant, for his indefatigable efforts in preparing the budget. Mr. Shaligram will be retiring from the Municipal Service after a few months and Dr. Shaikh wished him long life and expressed a hope that he would contribute to the civic life his long experience of Bombay Municipality. He also thanked Mr. B. V. Mody, the Secretary, and Mr. P. R. Mulla Feroze, the Assistant Secretary, for their kind assistance.

The House then adjourned till Thursday.

A.-I. Weather Report

POONA, Jan. 25.

Following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches recorded at 8 hours on 21-1-43:—

Allahabad 77 53 0; Bombay 79 61 0; Calcutta 81 56 0; Cawnpore 75 50 0; Cuttack 84 65 0; Darjeeling 49 34 0; Delhi 65 44 0; Dehra Dun 66 41 0; Jacobabad 66 39 0; Karachi 72 56 0; Lahore 65 41 0; Lucknow 78 51 0; Madras 85 68 0; Nagpur 87 63 0; Patna 77 55 0; Peshawar 63 35 0; Shillong 58 37 0; Simla 48 33 0.—A.P.

BEGUM SHAH NAWAZ ON U.S. SYMPATHY FOR INDIA

Confident That Atlantic Charter Would Be Applied To India

KARACHI, Jan. 24.

"Ignorance about India in America is simply colossal. American thirst for knowledge is responsible for their gulping down untruths and half-truths", said Begum Shah Nawaz, a delegate to the Institute of Pacific Relations Conference who returned to Karachi yesterday in an interview to "United Press".

Replying to a question she said that American interest in India had been so roused that it was difficult for an Indian to imagine. During her six weeks' stay in America she found a great deal of sympathy for India. She flew from Toronto to Washington to meet Mrs. Roosevelt at White House. She found this first lady of America as she was familiarly called a great thinker. She possessed a personality that radiated gentleness and kindness. According to her America was still a youthful nation. She described that the Americans were sincere and a sympathetic nation. She also met Mr. Wendell Willkie and found in him a man of future.

Referring to the war effort in America, Begum Shah Nawaz said that America was out to win the war, and she was convinced that the resources of that wonderful continent were being fully mobilised for a day of victory which would not be far distant.

Replying to a question regarding the Pacific Relations Conference, Begum Shah Nawaz said that she was confident that the Atlantic Charter would be applied to India. She could not divulge the trend of discussions which were a closely guarded secret.

She is reaching Delhi on Thursday next to meet His Excellency the Viceroy. She will also address a press conference there on Saturday.—United Press.

Molecules And Morphological Form

Dr. J. Needham (Biochemist of Cambridge University) while speaking on 'Molecules and Morphological Form' at the Royal Institute of Science, Bombay on Monday afternoon said that the cause of muscle contraction was the contraction of the myosion molecules. This was brought about by Adenosive Tri-phosphate. He and his collaborators had carried out numerous experiments to prove it and from viscosity and bi-refrengience measurement they had proved it.

He has confirmed the views of the Russian Biologist that myosion was an enzyme that acts on adenosive Triphosphate (A.T.P.) and breaks off Phosphorous molecules simultaneously liberating large amount of energy.

Prize Distribution To Students Of French

French is generally learnt in schools and colleges like Latin and Greek as if it was a dead language. But French is a living language and has to be regarded as such. Thus said Monsieur L. Mosse, presiding over a Soiree Musicale held at the Taj Mahal Hotel under the auspices of the Cercle Litteraire Bibliotheque Dinshaw Petit on Monday at 6 p.m. He hoped that when things become normal, learning of the French would be made compulsory for students in England, and the English language made compulsory for students in France.

Mr. P. J. Bahadurji, the Hon. Secretary of the institution, while thanking the speakers, narrated the history of the institution, the object of which was to propogate the study of the French language, and French culture in India.

Mr. J. Spencer, Miss Urmilla Sen and Mr. J. Bhavanagri who stood first in French in the Matriculation, Intermediate and B.A. examinations respectively were awarded prizes.

POLICE OFFICER ACQUITTED OF EXTORTION CHARGE

BOMBAY, Monday.

Sub-Inspector W. I. Bradley of the Prohibition Department, Mr. L. Joseph, a journalist and Mr. Frank Couper, brother-in-law of Bradley were acquitted to-day by Mr. R. Mathalone, Presidency Magistrate, Third Court, of the charges of extortion and abetment preferred against them by Mrs. Haji Hussain, a Mongolian widow.

The Magistrate disbelieved the prosecution story and acquitted the accused.

Mr. C. B. Velkar conducted the prosecution. Mr. Salazar defended the first and third accused. The second accused was defended by Mr. V. S. Thakore.

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TO-DAY ON RADIO

TUESDAY, JANUARY 26.

Delhi I—Programme

338.6 metres (886 kc/s)

5 p.m. Bhajan aur geet. 5-15 Nabi Jan. 5-25 Purab aur Dilli Baj. 5-40 Dularibai. 6-50 Farhat Jahan Bibbo. 6 Ustad Bundu Khan 6-45 Farhat Jahan Bibbo. 7 Baton ki Baten. 7-15 Dularibai. 7-25 Ghasit Khan. 7-30 Recent and Readable. 7-45 For villagers only. 8-30 Farhat Jahan Bibbo. 8-45 Karzar. 9-30 B B C News. 9-45 Ustad Bundu Khan. 10 Nabi Jan. 10-10 Farhat Jahan. 10-20 Afzal Husain. 10-30 Dularibai. 10-40 Afzal Husain. 10-45 Farhat Jahan Bibbo.

Bombay I—Programme

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)

8 a.m. Gujarati Ras. 8-5 News in Hindustani. 8-15 News in English. 8-30 Vazirbai. 8-50 News in Marathi. 9 News in Gujarati. 9-10 J. G. Gore. 9-25 Three Ghazals. 9-35 S. V. Deshpande. 9-45 Avdabai Sangekar. 12-30 p.m. Songs from Sindh. 12-45 News in Marathi. 12-50 News in Gujarati. 12-55 News in Hindustani. 1 Powada and Lavni. 1-30 News in English. 1-40 Lunch-hour music. 4-20 School broadcast. 5 To-morrow. 5-5 Indira Y. Dandekar. 5-15 Vazirbai. 5-25 S. V. Deshpande. 5-35 Avdabai Sangekar. 5-55 Local news and announcements. 6 Children's half hour. 6-30 News in English. 6-40 News in Hindustani. 6-45 News commentary. 6-50 Indira Y. Dandekar. 7 The Humorist at large 7-15 D. V. Paluskar. 7-45 News in Marathi 7-55 News in Gujarati. 8-5 Vazirbai. 8-20 Topical talk. 8-30 "Larger Hope". 8-45 Radio Reconnaissance. 9 News in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C News relay. 9-45 Luise Vajid Mahmood. 10 Salon Trio.

In Sind

REVISED TAXATION TO MEET DEFICIT?

KARACHI, Jan. 25.

A revision in the basis of land revenue assessment, an alteration in the Entertainment Tax and an electricity surcharge are likely to be expedients to be employed by the Sind Ministry to supplement the Revenue of the province during the coming year.

An addition of about 35 lakhs of rupees is thereby expected to be made to the provincial receipts.

The change in the Revenue assessment, it is stated, will be thorough and almost revolutionary and is expected to be a permanent basis of assessment for the future. Between 30 and 33 lakhs of rupees will be obtained by means of this change. By the change in Entertainment Tax men of the fighting forces may cease to enjoy their present exemption under this head and contribute about two lakhs to the provincial exchequer. The balance of the expected new revenue may be raised by a surcharge on electricity.—A. P.

RAJAJI FOR CUTTACK

MADRAS, Jan. 25.

Mr. C. Rajagopalachari is leaving for Cuttack on January 28 reaching there on January 29. He will address on January 30 the Old Boys' Association of Ravenshaw College.

He leaves for Madras on January 31 arriving here on February 1.—United Press.

Jamsaheb's Arrival

(From Our Correspondent.)

JAMNAGAR, Jan. 25.

The Jamsaheb has arrived here to-day by aeroplane.

LAHORE: It is understood that U. S. Special Representative, Mr. Philips is arriving here on the 2nd February and will stay for a few days.—Orient Press.

Appeal Against Death Sentence

LAHORE, January 25.

The first petition for review under Sec. 8 of the Ordinance No. 11 of 1942 of the order of Sardar Nawabsing, I.C.S. Special Judge of Delhi Division sentencing Ferozedin, Jagatsingh and Hazarasingh of Delhi to death for the murder of a police Sub-Inspector, was heard today by Mr. Justice Mohd. Munir of the Lahore High Court.

The accused are alleged to have murdered Sub-Inspector Pir Mohd. Sharif of Delhi Police with stones near the Railway Clearing Accounts Office on Queens Road on August 11 1942.

Mr. B. R. Puri, Bar-at-Law, and Lala Amolakram Kapur Advocate appeared for the accused, while the Crown was represented by Lala Basantkrishnan Khanna Assistant Advocate-General.

Arguments had not concluded when the court rose for the day.—A. P.

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MR. JINNAH'S RESPONSIBILITY

There is little new or helpful in Mr. Jinnah's latest speech on the present situation, except that he has this time expressed more than usual desire for a settlement. He repeats what Gandhiji often stated that without Hindu-Muslim unity complete independence for India is either not possible or will be precarious, if achieved somehow. And he asks why Congress and Gandhiji have made "a sudden complete and revolutionary change and unprecedented somersault" by adopting "the new policy of independence first and Hindu-Muslim unity after." As a matter of fact the last meeting of the A.I.C.C., with the obvious support of Gandhiji, went farther in conciliating the Muslims than it had ever done before. For instance, it conceded to the Provinces residuary powers in its proposed Federation. Congress had also stated that in no case would any territorial unit be coerced into joining the Federation. This virtually conceded the principle of self-determination and was recognised by several Muslim leaders as an excellent opportunity to open negotiations with the Muslim League and they urged Mr. Jinnah to seize the opportunity. In their last speeches both Gandhiji and the President expressed their intention to open negotiations with the League and Government for an all-round settlement. But the Government of India smothered that move for obvious reasons and threw at once almost all the Congress leaders into jail. Yet Mr. Jinnah has nothing to say against Government's policy which has robbed him of an opportunity to start negotiations but he finds fault with Congress for not displaying a change of heart. After the latest gesture on the part of the Congress it was for Mr. Jinnah to respond with a similar change of heart. But he did not, does not even to-day.

Congress Ready For Negotiation

Suppose for the sake of argument that Mr. Jinnah has now reason to deplore a change of attitude on the part of Congress towards Hindu-Muslim unity. What did Mr. Jinnah do when the Congress attitude was more favourable to unity? Again and again Congress tried to open negotiations with him. But every time he banged the door against them by urging frivolous and impossible conditions precedent to any negotiations, conditions not about the rights of the Muslims but about the representative character of the Congress. And once at least he insulted the Congress President in a most unworthy manner. Yet Congress and Congress President widened the door for negotiations in August. That is a clear change of heart for any one who has any insight. The door is still wide enough for negotiations. But the pity of it is that the Congress leaders who wish to start them are in jail and are not allowed interviews even for negotiations.

Use The Key

Mr. Jinnah, however, very complacently observes that all Congressmen are not in jail and the "Hindu" press is not in jail. Now, most Congressmen outside jail will be content to follow the Congress lead just as Mr. Jinnah wants Muslims to follow the lead of the League in respect of a settlement. If a few Congressmen like Mr. Rajagopalachari strike out a line of their own, Mr. Jinnah himself refuses to open negotiations with them on the ground that they have no authority from the Congress. Even when Mr. Rajagopalachari sought the Viceroy's permission to see Gandhiji to get the latter's help in opening negotiations for a communal settlement, Mr. Jinnah would do nothing to help Rajaji to secure that permission. As regards the Hindu press, if Mr. Jinnah means the papers speaking only in terms of communalism and supporting the Mahasabha, there is little common between these and the League's papers, but Mr. Jinnah will regret his refusal to make the most of the opportunity for a settlement afforded by the Congress, which goes farthest in safeguarding the interests of the Muslims without prejudice to the larger interests of the country. He should realise now at least that every day he misses in seizing the opportunity and bringing about a National Government makes India's position worse in respect of national defence and national food supply, and that position adds to the distress of Muslims as well as Hindus. If it is too much to expect him to support the wide demand for the release of Congress leaders to give them a chance of exploring afresh the prospects of a settlement, he can at least demand that all *bonafide* mediators like Mr. Rajagopalachari should be allowed facilities to interview Gandhiji and other Congress leaders. Mr. Jinnan may not hold the key to the solution of the Indian problem to the extent the British Government or the Congress does. But in the present circumstances he does hold the key that can unlock the door to negotiations. It is to the advantage of the Muslims as well as the country as a whole that he should use it forthwith.

India's "Representatives"

His Highness the Jamsaheb, one of the two 'India's representatives' on the War Cabinet and the Pacific War Council, who has just returned to his country, enlightened a press interviewer at Karachi as to the tasks he had discharged during his stay abroad. His Highness was all admiration for the war effort of the British people, and especially of the women-kind, and for their determination to bring the war to a successful conclusion. He did not disclose what particular contribution, if any, he and his fellow-representative of India made to the work of the War cabinet and the Pacific War Council but he dwelt a good deal on the visit he had paid to Indian troops in England. His Highness does not appear to entertain any anxiety regarding India's future. Obviously he appears satisfied that that future is safe in the hands of Churchills and Amerys of the British Cabinet. But his remarks that in England today "everything was being put aside for the sake of the war effort" and that "the one object of the people, from top to bottom, was to win the war" betrays his inability to read the genius of the British people aright. He appears to be totally oblivious to the active planning of post-war reconstruction in a hundred and other directions that is going on in Britain and to which some of the best brains in the country are devoting their talents and energies. His Highness seems to expect his countrymen not to bother about their future at all, but to trust everything to be done for them in good time by their British rulers. No wonder, he is able to earn the plaudits of British official circles wherever he goes and enjoys the privilege of being held up before the world as "India's representative." Asked about his impression of the British public opinion regarding Indian political demands the Maharajah said that his work was connected with the deliberations of the War Cabinet and political questions were outside its scope. The reply is significant. It reveals what little purpose "India's representatives" served in the War Cabinet!

CONTROL DEPARTMENT

Mr. B. F. Bharucha writes:—

The more I go into the matter, the more I am convinced, that the Control Department is like a ship without a chart, compass, rudder and steam; and is therefore drifting hopelessly, wasting its precious time, giving splendid chance to clever traders, dealers and hangers-on to make money, and exposing the public to untold hardships!

In his letter to the Press, Mr. Gorvalla asserts, that his "Department would welcome the import of food grains into Bombay from all Provinces and States"! True, but does he or his Department render any assistance to those dealers, who have food grains on the railway line, but cannot move the stuff without permits or recommendations from the Control Department? This writer pointedly put a single case of a dealer, who has 15,500 bags of grain lying on the G.I.P. line. Does Mr. Gorvalla wish us to believe, that he cannot use his official influence to get this stuff to Bombay? If he is so keen to ease the food crisis in Bombay, why is he turning down the various requests made by dealers to give them some kind of letter of authority to enable them to get the food grains released from other Provinces and States, rail them to Bombay and sell at control rates? Why, pray why?

I have got instances to show, that Mr. Gorvalla has refused permits to local dealers to sell their stocks of Bajri at control rates! And we fail to realize the reason thereof. He says he welcomes imports of food grains; and at the same time, he disallows the sale of the stocks lying in Bombay! Can inconsistency go any further? Please explain.

What are Mr. Gorvalla's official obligations as Bombay's Food Controller? Has he merely to control the stocks of grains etc., and to regulate the rates? Or has he to explore all avenues of food supply from the available parts of India to secure the same in time to avoid scarcity, and to prevent Black Marketing? If the former be the case, God help Bombay! If the latter is the case and should be the case, then, it is his official duty to give some kind of permit or letter of authority to approved dealers to import, food grains from their regular sources as much as possible. Isn't that so, please?

What facilities has Mr. Gorvalla offered to the various orphanages and schools, that feed their poor students free of charge? What about the Homes and Asylums, where the destitute and disabled are fed? What about recognised stores, like those of Mr. Ranina, Mr. Joshi, Katchi Halai etc., that sell household articles at less than control rates? What facilities have been given to them, please?

Frankly Speaking

Heartening News From The Pacific

News as heartening as that from North Africa comes from the South-West Pacific theatre of war, where General MacArthur's forces have just completed the reoccupation of the whole of the Papuan peninsula of New Guinea, after blasting the Japanese from Sanananda, their last stronghold there. The Japanese had massed no less than 15,000 troops in that regoin in the desperate hope of stemming the Allied advance, but they proved of little avail before the non-stop strafing they received at the hands of the American Flying Fortresses. The definite superiority of the Allied air-arm has begun to tell, albeit slowly yet, in all theatres of war, in the east as well as the west. With the reoccupation of Papua, the threat to Australia is, no doubt, considerably reduced, but as one of the Commonwealth Ministers warned his people, it would be foolish to imagine that the people of the southern continent are out of the wood now. Japan's real strength, naval as well as military, and her powers of resilience at the present hour, have yet to be assessed by the Allies with some degree of certitude.

One More "Lost-Leader"

The Tory "bed-fellows" of Sir Stafford Cripps must be quietly laughing in their sleeves at the doctrinaire views on democracy-cum-Communism he has lately taken to airing before British workers. He has been effectively jettisoned by them from positions where his Communistic views on high imperial problems may prove embarrassing to them. The vested land-owning and manufacturing interests which dominate the Tory circles can have little sympathy with either the aspirations of the working class or the high idealisms of Sir Stafford. So long as both these do not engender any active clash between the working classes and the Tory interests—and there will little scope for such clashes during the period of the war—Sir Stafford's friends will not mind his venting his pious views in the innocuous manner he has been doing of late. Evidently Sir Stafford, too, does not appear to be in a hurry to spread his 'red' gospel among the working classes at the present juncture. After the war, it is least likely that a gospeller of such a lukewarm type, who had hob-nobbed so freely with the die-hards of Tory reactionaryism, will secure any appreciable following among the British working classes. He will be one more "lost" Labour leader, who because of his ineffectual enthusiasms for the causes he espoused, and the divided loyalties he tried to serve, could achieve in his life practically little to his credit.

Welcome Admissions

The Government of India's communique with regard to food supply is an extremely interesting document. Its main part is not the announcement of substantial shipments of wheat from abroad, for that was known several days ago and some Australian wheat had already arrived. The main part is the last sentence which states the decision that "with effect from Jan. 25th 1943, the maximum prices for wheat fixed in Commerce Department Notifications shall be withdrawn and that provincial Governments will be requested similarly to cancel all orders based on the notifications for the fixation of local wholesale maximum prices." This is in fact a complete withdrawal of the policy of control through the mere fixing of maximum prices. It is an admission of the failure of that policy Similarly the "request" to provincial Governments to cancel their orders is also an admission of the error in not enforcing a common policy throughout India

Hoarding

Government still maintain that the present shortage is due "mainly to the hoarding of stocks by producers and dealers and consumers alike." Now a certain amount of hoarding by consumers is quite natural and a measure of prudence. At one time not very long ago, when a dislocation of transport owing to enemy action was feared the people were asked by the authorities themselves to stock food for two months. When that fear was accentuated by an imminent scarcity, those who could hoard food did so. But comparatively few consumers could afford to do so. If producers and dealers did likewise it was largely because the control price was not high enough to induce them to sell and because Provincial Governments stopped at mere fixing the prices instead of controlling supplies also. Now that the maximum prices are removed and competition will be resumed, the hoarded wheat will soon enough come to the market. However, most depends upon fresh supplies. If they are not as abundant as they are announced to be, the inflow of hoarded wheat will again be checked.

Karachi Police Report Big Find

"Revolutionary Headquarters & Regular Bomb Factory" In Collegians' Tenement

KARACHI, January 25.

Yesterday's bomb explosion in a building on Bunder Road has brought to light what a police officer described as the headquarters of a revolutionary gang and a regular bomb manufacturing factory.

The tenement was said to be occupied by College students. Two of them were alleged to be engaged in making some explosives.

Some of the chemicals caught fire and the resultant loud explosion was heard a considerable distance away.

H. Q. OF THE REVOLUTIONARY GANG

One of the two persons, who was seriously injured, was arrested on the spot, while the other has not yet been traced. Articles in the room caught fire but the fire-brigade was able to put it out before any damage was done.

High police officers, including the Superintendent of Police, were immediately on the scene and the Principal of the local Science College was called to identify the chemicals found in the room.

Evidence that the tenement was not merely a bomb making factory but the headquarters of a revolutionary gang was found among the articles discovered which included a live bomb, some cartridges and a spear. There was also a variety of chemicals mostly employed in making heavy explosive articles. There were three tins containing petrol. A number of broken glass bottles, and quantity of test tubes and some empty cigarette tins. Some empty ink bottles were also found similar to those seized in a previous case involving the throwing of bombs in public buildings in Karachi.

It is alleged that the tenement was also employed for carrying on prejudicial propaganda. Apart from bulletin making paraphernalia, including a couple of typewriters and a duplicator, the police also seized official "O. H. M. S." envelopes which for some time have been used for sending bulletins locally. There were empty duplicating paper reams as well as some printed bulletins.

Another important discovery made by the police was an account book which contained the full names and addresses of all Congressmen imprisoned in Sind since the commencement of the Congress movement on August 9. The book showed the allowances paid to the dependents of the Congressmen sent to jail during their imprisonment. It also showed the "duties" to each member of the Congress organisation in Sind.

There were two letters addressed to local Congressmen, calling upon them to withdraw their children from colleges.—A.P.

BOMB-FIND IN BELGAUM

BELGAUM, Jan. 25.

A country-made bomb was found in the Government Co-operative Stores in Khadebazar. It was removed by the police.

Postal runners were attacked between Belhongal and Murgud and between Hirebagwadi and Kittur and mail bags forcibly removed.

The Local Board Dharmashala at Gokak was set on fire.

An attack was made on the police station at Dolawad in Sangli State territory, says a report received here.

EXPLOSION IN BROACH

AHMEDABAD:—Two explosions occurred in Broach—one near the Government High School and the other near another High School. Post bags which were being carried between the villages of Boriavi and Narsanda in Kaira district were set on fire.

AHMEDABAD:—The police arrested a coal merchant to-day under D.I.R. on the charge of importing coal without the permit of the District Magistrate from Kaira district. The police seized coal to the extent of 105 maunds while it was being brought into Ahmedabad.

SEARCHES AND ARRESTS IN KOLHAPUR

KOLHAPUR:—The residence of Pandurang Patil in Ghergaon was searched.

K. N. Swami was put under arrest at Raibag for being in possession of objectionable literature. A few persons were taken into custody for making an attempt to take a 'Morcha' to the Resident's office. About 18 persons were put under arrest at Malakapur on charge of taking out a 'Prabhat Pheri', but ten of them were let off later.

B. K. Naik was put under arrest in Raibag Mahal.

Korea's Declaration Of Independence

With this we declare our Korea an independent Nation, and Koreans a free people. With this we announce her independence to the ten thousand nationalities of the world, and so reveal the Great Truth of the equality of man. With this we endow our sons and our sons' sons for innumerable generations, with the just right of national self-existence forever.

In making this Declaration we have the authority of five thousand unbroken years of independent history; the approval of a sincere and loyal people of twenty millions. We make to assure a race's free development and thereby we fall into step with the progress of the world. It is our evident destiny, revealed from Heaven, consistent with the course of our time, and a part of the increasing effort of all mankind to live in mutual peace. No power under the sky can thwart us. During the last decade, after an independent history of thousands of years, we have tasted for the first time the bitter sorrow of oppression by a foreign people intoxicated by the doctrine of power and the philosophy of domination by conquest. How we have been deprived even of our right to our subsistence! How we have been repressed in our intellectual and spiritual development! How we have been degraded from the ancient glory of our origin; and how deprived of the priceless opportunity to move with the tide of world culture, and to contribute our own peculiar gifts to the World's renascence!

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If we are to cast off the mistakes of yesterday, and the yoke of to-day's bitter sorrow, and evade the threatened tyranny of to-morrow; if we are to breathe new life into our old national integrity now dwindling even in the consciousness of our own people; if we are to give to each individual his rightful opportunity to grow to his proper dimensions; if we are to avoid handing down to our sons and grandsons a heritage of sorrow and shame; if we are to give a blessing for always to our poor sons and brothers' children,—then our one urgent duty is to achieve National Independence.

We are twenty millions, and the heart of each is like a square-edged sword. To-day a sense of human brotherhood, and the common conscience of Mankind protect us. They cover us with the shield of Justice and the spear of Truth. On to Victory!—No power can resist us! What may we not, with passive resistance, achieve?

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We shall not judge Japan's treachery.—Ever since the year 1876 she has torn into scraps of paper, Treaties which she had said were as pure as gold and firm as rock;—nor do we resent her falsehoods in declaring through her scholars on the lecture platforms and by her politicians, that the works of our ancestors were merely those of her own colonials, and that our cultural leaders were aborigines; and we do not pause to condemn her for ignoring our venerable social organizations and our peculiar psychology, in her lust for our conquest. We are too eager to search out our own faults for that; we have no time for blaming others. Our concern is to mend the present,—not to weep over the sleeping past. To-day it is our task to reconstruct ourselves, not to destroy others. Under the direction of solemn conscience we are pioneers for a new Destiny!—not ejecting aliens for an old revenge or any other emotionalism. The statesmen of Japan are chained by anachronistic ideas;—idolaters of militarism, so unnatural, so contrary to the universal law. This wrong must be righted. It must be adjusted to the Law of Virtue, to the straight path of the Great Principle.

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Korea and Japan were joined against the will of all Koreans; the result for Koreans has been a deadly oppression by force, prejudice, and misrepresentation. In such circumstances these two nations whose interests are directly opposed can never live in harmony;—on the contrary, each day widens and deepens their mutual resentment. Is there any course for them to follow to avoid danger and gain peace, but this?—In reasonableness and kindness to rectify the old mistakes with the principle of opening a new and friendly world where sympathy and justice rule. Forcibly to shackle twenty million distracted people! Is that the way to insure permanent peace? By reason of this captivity the fear and suspicion of Japan among four hundred million Chinese, the hub of peril or peace here in Asia, will be intensified and hardened the longer it lasts, to the great danger of Japan;—and the end that it induces is the mutual destruction of the nations of the whole of the Far East. So, to-day Korean Independence brings to Koreans a just and contented life and at the same time turns Japan from the path of evil to a contemplation of her own responsibilities as guardians of the Far East. It frees China of those uneasy fears which must haunt her awake or asleep. And now that the Far East is so firmly interwoven with the texture of the World, it is a step toward the happiness of the whole of Mankind. Is our Freedom then a small or personal matter?

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A new heaven and a new earth stretch out before us. The age of force and arms is gone, the age of Right and Justice has come. The dawn of a new civilization radiant with the great ideas of Humanity in past centuries shines upon the history of Man. Spring comes anew to the earth and quickens 10,000 precious things. This new age contrasts with the past as does the renascence of spring, when all life expands in the warm sunlight and the mild wind, with the hibernating existence of things under the ice and the snow of winter.

We contemporaries with the new destiny of Man, do not hesitate and do not fear. It is for us to regain the Freedom that was ours; to enjoy all the happiness of life; to manifest our own creative genius; and enable the budding thoughts of our people to bear their natural fruit out in the great Spring-filled World.

We here rise up bravely. Conscience is with us. Truth is advancing with us. Men, women, old and young, all vigorously emerging from the gloomy old nests in tens of thousands, go to accomplish a happy Resurrection. The ghosts of our ancestors from hundreds and thousands of generations help us from beneath, and the currents of the World assist us from without. Beginning is succeeding. Only go forward in the Light that lies ahead!

THREE ITEMS OF THE PLEDGE

1. To-day this action of ours is by the request of the People, for Right, Justice, and the value of Life. Only show your desire for Freedom and NEVER let anti-sentiments run wild.

2. To the very last person, to the very last minute, show the people's idea of Right.

3 In all your deeds, prize order: so that our claim and attitude to the end will be fair, high and honourable.

I. A. F. TRAINING SCHEME FOR YOUNG STUDENTS

Aligarh University Starts Three-Months Course

NEW DELHI, Jan. 25.

Aligarh University is co-operating with the Indian Air Force in making a training experiment which, if successful, should be capable of considerable expansion, says a press note. The scheme is designed to assist young students at Indian Universities who may consider entering the technical or clerical trade groups of the I. A. F. by giving them a course of preliminary training in subjects they would be required to learn on being accepted by the I. A. F.

The scheme being put into operation at Aligarh University consists of a three months' course covering technical and non-technical air force subjects. It will be an optional subject added to the normal University curriculum and special instructors will be allocated for the purpose.

Trainees who complete the course successfully will be awarded a diploma similar to the U. T. C. certificate.

Uniforms and distinctive badges will be provided for students taking the course, and during their training period they will receive a stipend of Rs. 20 per month

The scheme is capable of gradual extension to all Indian Universities. The syllabus can be modified to fit in with local requirements. It has already received the approval of a meeting of representatives of Universities, which took place recently at Mysore.—A. P.

Arrests In Gujrat

SURAT, January 25.

Thirteen arrests including the Headmaster of the Gujarati School at Bedalia and others from Matwad, Karadi, Abrama and Karod villages have been made by the Jalalpore police, according to a report received here. The police raided "Manimudrana'a" in Navsari and arrested its managers. In Surat City some shops remained closed this afternoon.—A. P.

TÊTE-À-TÊTE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

Sir Ali Mahomed Khan Dehlavi criticised the Congress policy and said that the meaning of 'Quit India' was that if the British went the Hindus would be able to oppress the Muslims freely, and impose on them a democratic system of government and deny them an effective share in the administration of India. The only remedy for this was Pakistan.

Sir Ali Mahomed Khan went on to say that even Gandhiji's professed love of Harijans was merely a trick to load the dice against the Muslims. So was his Non-violence. Non-violence was a trap to neutralise the valour of Muslims. It was the protective camouflage of a sheep that wanted to deal with a company of lions.

—Report of local Muslim League meeting

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Five members of the Delhi Communist party have been arrested.

Explain, Comrade Maxwell!

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Doctor Moonje is going to meet Mr. Phillips.

We warn Mr. Jinnah against this insidious Hindu-American conspiracy.

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Sir Jwala Prasad Srivastava speaks of the need for a "Citizens' Front."

It has already been achieved—in front of the grain shops.

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The way dances are being arranged in the city in connection with war effort it seems the slogan is: "Dance your way to victory."

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Begum Shah Nawaz is to tour the country to organise "women's war effort in India."

What a frightening prospect for the mere males on whom women have always been waging a ceaseless, though, unorganised war?

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WHO WILL SETTLE INDIAN DEADLOCK?

—Headline.

The deadlocksmith, of course!

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Writing about the famine and food shortage in India, the "New Statesman And Nation" says: "The British Government is facing in India an enemy more formidable than the Congress."

But since the Government doesn't think the Congress is formidable or that the famine is an enemy that should be fought, the argument falls flat.

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TO-DAY'S PRIZE HOWLERS
(Perpetrated By The Junior Colleague)

(1) Once upon a time Mr A. K. Fazlul Huq had referred to "the lions and tigers" of the Muslim League and been called "Sher-e-Bengal" himself—but now, alas, no one calls him that!

(2) Mr. Jinnah does not like autocrats like Akbar. But he does not dislike himself!

(3) Mr. N. R Sarkar, Commerce Member to the Government of India, is coming to Bombay to demonstrate his new suit of Standard Cloth.

(4) "M H. B. " of the "Illustrated Weekly of India" has discovered that Indians eat too much food and waste still more.

(5) Anglo-Indian journalists on the other hand, subsist merely on water—coloured water!

JAIL AND 1,000 FINE FOR REFUSING CHANGE

DEHRA DUN, Jan. 25.

A grocer of Babuganj (Dehra Dun) has been sentenced to three months' R. I. and a fine of Rs. 1,000 or in default to undergo three months' further R. I. under Rule 90 (A) of D. I. R. for refusing to accept one Rupee note in payment of one anna as the price of an article purchased by a customer from his shop on December 5, when the accused had in his shop small coins to the value of Rs. 230-12.—A. P.

Jawaharlal's Speeches

A collection of vibrant passages from the speeches and writings of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, have been strung together by Hindustan Hamara Publications, Bombay and given the appellation of "Nehru flings a challenge." The passages have been separately grouped in three sections, one dealing with world problems in general, the second dealing exclusively with Indian problems and the third with Indo-British relations. Prof. P. A. Wadia has written a foreword to the book, in the course of which he says: "A scholar, a patriot, a lover of truth, an unflinching opponent of whatsoever things are debasing, representing in his blood a heritage of culture he has given his life to his country; and his association with and devotion to Gandhiji has lent to him an added glory, transforming his nationalism and his love for his country, which might otherwise have been a burden of the hills like the snows of the Himalayas, into the melted floods which fertilise the world."

Mr. I. G. Kennedy, was elected Vice-President of the Indian Central Jute Committee for 1943-44 at its meeting under the presidency of Mr. P. M. Kharegat, President of the Committee.

INDIA GOVT. BANS UNDER PRESS ACT

NEW DELHI.

The Central Government has prohibited the bringing into British India of any document containing any words, signs or visible representations of the nature described in sub-section (1) of section four of the Indian Press Act.

This provision relates to newspaper, book or other document containing any words, signs or visible representations which :—

(A) Incite to or encourage, or tend to incite to or to encourage, the commission of any offence of murder or any cognizable offence involving violence, or

(B) Directly or indirectly express approval or admiration of any such offence, or of any person, real or fictitious, who has committed or is alleged or represented to have committed any such offence, or which tend, directly or indirectly—

(C) To seduce any officer soldier, sailor or airman in the military naval or air forces of His Majesty or any police officer from his allegiance or his duty or,

(D) To bring into hatred or contempt His Majesty or the Government established by law in British India or the administration of justice in British India or any class or section of His Majesty's subjects in British India, or to excite disaffection towards His Majesty or the said Government, or

(E) To put any person in fear or to cause annoyance to him and thereby induce him to deliver to any person any property or valuable security or to do any act which he is not legally bound to do, or to omit to do any act which he is legally entitled to do, or

(F) To encourage or incite any person to interfere with the administration of the law or with the maintenance of law and order, or to commit any offence, or to refuse or defer payment of any land-revenue, tax, rate, cess or other due or amount payable to Government or to any local authority, or any rent of agricultural land or anything recoverable as arrears of or along with such rent, or

(G) To induce a public servant or a servant of a local authority to do any act or to forbear or delay to do any act connected with the exercise of his public functions or to resign his office, or

(H) To promote feelings of enmity or hatred between different classes of His Majesty's subjects, or

(I) To prejudice the recruiting of persons to serve in any of His Majesty's forces, or in any police force, or to prejudice the training, discipline or administration of any such force.—A.P.

INDIAN CENTRAL COTTON COMMITTEE

The next meeting of the Indian Central Cotton Committee will be held in Bombay from the 25th to 30th instant. The various Sub-Committees will meet from the 25th and make recommendations on the subjects coming under their purview for the consideration of the main body. His Excellency the Governor of Bombay will be present at the opening meeting on the 29th.

Among the more important subjects that will receive the attention will be a review of the present position in regard to the supply and distribution of Indian cotton and the future policy to be followed in the light of the conditions brought about by the War and their bearing on the position during the years immediately following the cessation of hostilities. Among the subjects of agricultural interest which will come up for consideration will be the progress reports on the work done on breeding and seed distribution schemes in Madras Province and on the Physiological Scheme in the Punjab and proposals for new schemes etc.

"WANTED" HUR LEADER ARRESTED

HYDERABAD (Sind) Jan. 25.

A notorious leader of Hurs named Nuruvasan has been arrested by the Deputy Commissioner of police in martial law area.

The Hur leader, who is alleged to be wanted in connection with several dacoities was brought to Hyderabad. A reward of Rs. 5,000 had been offered for his arrest.—A. P.

Municipal Mukadams Demand Higher Wages

Under the auspices of the Municipal Worker's Union Bombay, a meeting of the Mukadams of all the Wards was held in the Union Office at 3-30 p.m. on January 24. Mrs. Maniben Kara the General Secretary of the Union presided over the meeting. The present Scale of wages of the Mukadams Rs. 29-1-32 is too meagre and many of the Mukadams of the Municipality are without free quarters. So, it was decided to organise all the Mukadams to demand monthly Scale of Rs. 35-1-50 and free quarter or room rent.

INTERNATIONAL PEACE CAMPAIGN IN CHINA

BOMBAY, Jan. 24.

The China Branch of the International Peace Campaign celebrated its fifth anniversary yesterday afternoon, reports Chungking radio.

Speaking as Chairman of the meeting, Mr. Tsao Li Pu announced that the I. P. C. China Branch has affiliated its name with that of the Free World Association, which is an American organisation with aims akin to those of the International Peace Campaign. Mr. Tsao also read the essays of President Lin Sen and Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek to the meeting.—A. P.

ARRESTED FOR ARRIVING WITHOUT PASSPORT

KARACHI, Jan. 25.

An Iranian national has been arrested for arriving in this country without a passport. In defence, he says that owing to food famine in Iran he decided to come to Karachi. He had some money which got exhausted at Zaidam. Failing to obtain a passport he reached Karachi by land via Lasbella State.—United Press.

SUIT AGAINST SIR MANECKJI

Not For Recovery Of Rupees 1 Crore But For Dissolution Of Partnership

(From A Correspondent.)

A report was published in the "Bombay Chronicle Weekly" of 24th instant stating that a civil suit had been filed by Seth Badridas Daga of Sir Hukumchand firm against Sir Maneckjee Dadabhoy President of the Council of State for recovery of about a crore of rupees and also for the dissolution of partnership. The suit has been filed only for dissolution of partnership and not for recovery of a crore of rupees.

The suit is said to be one of the biggest Civil Suits in the past few years in the Central Provinces, is now being tried at Nagpur in the Court of the District Judge. It is a suit for dissolution of partnership between Seth Badridas Daga and his brothers on one side and Sir Maneckji Dadabhoy on the other side.

The plaintiffs set out that the parties have been doing joint business for the last about 40 years in ginning and pressing factories and coal and manganese mines. It is claimed that this business in which both the parties have invested nearly a crore of rupees is now not able to run at a profit, and, therefore, the plaintiffs inspite of clauses to the contrary in the agreement, are entitled in equity to get a dissolution. It is further alleged that there have been material breaches of the contract and mismanagement on the part of defendant. Plaintiffs are praying for a taking up account and dissolution of the partnership.

The defendant in his written statement supported by an affidavit has replied saying that the partnership from its inception up to now has made more than a crore of rupees net profit and that the assets of the suit firm are to-day worth more than a crore of rupees. He has expressly denied all the alleged breaches of agreement and acts of mismanagement. He contends that these have been put forward merely in order to get round the clause which prevents dissolution at this prosperous stage of the business and has suggested that it is plaintiffs' object to get a dissolution in order to injure his interests to their own gain. He claims that this has only been possible because of the untimely death of the eldest brother Sir Bisesardas Daga with whom he was in close touch and in joint consultation with whom he has managed and built up this enormous business. The defendant also contends that the suit firm has in the last six years admittedly paid a sum of rupees twenty-one lakhs as income tax, super tax and excess profits tax so that it is quite unfounded to say that the firm is running at a loss.

The interlocutory proceeds for an injunction were started by the plaintiffs and arguments continued for about twelve days before the trial Judge, Mr. K. M. Munshi appearing for plaintiffs and Mr. Walter Dutt appearing for the defendant assisted by other Counsel on both sides. Orders have been reserved and are expected within a week.

BENGAL CONGRESSMEN WILL ATTEND ASSEMBLY

CALCUTTA, Jan. 25.

The Bengal Congress Parliamentary Party led by Mr. Kiron Sankar Roy, at a meeting held last evening, decided to attend the forthcoming session of the Bengal Legislative Assembly and Council in February.—A. P.

GOLD AND SILVER

Bombay, Jan. 25.

On Saturday foreign markets were closed. London gold was quoted at £8-8-0 and silver at 23 1/2d. New York Spot silver was placed at 44 3/4 cents. Dollar sterling cross rate was unchanged at 4.03 1/2.

The local market was quietly steady with restricted turnover and prices fluctuated within a narrow range.

Quotations were as under :—

GOLD

Ready	Rs.	66	6 6
Posh		66	6 0
Maha		66	2 6
Sovereigns		46	10 0

SILVER

Ready		100	14 0
Posh		99	6 0
Maha		98	10 0

Hapur Wheat Market

HAPUR, Jan. 25.

Realizing present seriousness of food situation, Government of India have withdrawn price control measures from to-day and Provincial Governments have also been advised to follow same this would bring in immediate relief and hoarders would like to part with their wheat accumulations and thus wheat will be easily available everywhere. Traders welcomed this step.

Cotton ready 22; March 22/14; Steady. Demand dormant. Rapeseed Maha 7/6/6; Jeth 7/14/1; very steady on cloudy weather and good speculative support. Government's decision lifting price control from wheat warmly welcomed in commercial quarters likely to encourage more arrivals in open markets.

Food Control Prices In City

The following statement shows the controlled retail prices of the main foodstuffs, etc., in Bombay :

		per	paylee
Rice Thana Jirasal	Re.	1	0 0
Rice Thana Surati Kolam	Rs.	1	3 0
Wheat (except Khandwa)	Re.	0	10 0
Jowar	Re.	0	8 0
Bajri Kalpi	Re.	0	12 0
Bajri Red	Re.	0	10 0
Bajri Other Types	Re.	0	11 0
		per	2 lb.
Sugar	Re.	0	6 6
Matches (50 sticks) each	Rs.	0	0 6

Bankers' Clearing

Cheques delivered through the Bombay Bankers' Clearing House during the week ending 22-1-1943 were as under :—

Number of cheques—125081.

Amount of cheques—30,10,97,556-9-0.

Bombay Yarn Exchange

MONTHLY SETTLEMENT RATES.

Bombay, Jan. 25.

Yarn No. 6 1/2s February 388; April 386; June 384.

Yarn No. 10 1/2s. February 470; April 465; June 460.

Yarn No. 20 1/2s. February 730; April 690; June 665.

Yarn No. 40 February 1070; April 1050; June 1040.

BOMBAY STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, Jan. 25.

The local share bazar was firm to-day with active buying. Encouraging war news induced short covering and the market was very steady.

On Saturday there was fair amount of buying at advancing rates. Tata Steel Defds opened at Rs. 1710 and advanced to Rs. 1717. At this level there appeared moderate realising and prices declined to Rs. 1697 but under renewed buying quotation again firmed up to Rs. 1720 and steadied at Rs. 1717. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 357 and after advancing to Rs. 358 declined to Rs. 353 but again recovered to Rs. 356. Bombay Dyeing shares were done at Rs. 1732 and Century Mill shares were quoted at Rs. 666. Associated Cement shares advanced to Rs. 420 and steadied at Rs. 419.

It may be mentioned that encouraging war news from all directions and approach of period for payments of annual dividends are mainly responsible for the enthusiasm. Money market remains extremely easy and Tata Steel shares particularly received more attention.

TEXTILE SECTION

Ahmedabad Advance 430; Bharat Mills 82/8; Bombay Dyeing 1740; Central India 426; Century 669; Colaba Land 249; Dawn 1040; E. D. Sassoon Defd 3-8 1/4; Finlay 333; Gokak 365; Edward Sassoon 375; Hindustan 3650; Indian Manfg 3580; Indian Bleaching 233; Indore Malwa 765; Khatau 400; Kohinoor 661; Lakshmi 1200; Madhawji 22; Minerva 176/4; Model Nagpur 320; Madhusudan 500; Meyer Sassoon 182/8; Morarji 850/8; Mysore xd 191; New Great 403; Phoenix 650; Podar Mills 327/8; Sassoon Silk 115/8; Sholapur 8100; Shri Nivas 402/8; Simplex xd 280; Svadeshi 559; Swan 315; Tata Mills 48; Vishnu 2225; Western India 3150.

INSURANCE SECTION

Bombay Life 162/8; Empire Life 675; Indian Mercantile 72; Industrial and Prudential 34; Jupiter 17; New India 61/8; Orient 4425; Vulcan 11/4.

HYDRO AND ELECTRIC SECTIONS

Ahmedabad 191/4; Ajmere 13/15; Andhra Valley ord 1770; Bombay Tram ord 145/12; Bombay Suburban 183/12; Broach 13/8; Kashi 227/8; Poona 265; Surat 193/12; Surat New Rs. 50 Pd Prem 70; Tata Hydro ord 186; Tata Power ord 1672/8.

BANK SECTION

Bank of India 156/8; Baroda 126/8; Bombay Provincial 57; Central Bank 60; Imperial Bank F P xd 1660; Imperial Bank P P xd 417/8; Reserve 106/8; Union 9/12.

PREFERENCE SHARES

7 per cent Andhra Valley 1662/8; 6 per cent Bombay Steam 335; 7 per cent Bombay Tram 80; 6 per cent Central India 690; 6 1/2 per cent Jupiter 19/12; 6 1/2 per cent Surat 193/12; 6 1/4 per cent Premier Construction 1st 125; 6 1/4 per cent Premier Construction 2nd 124/8; 6 per cent Tata Iron and Steel 1st 326; 7 1/2 per cent Tata Iron and Steel 2nd 139; 7 1/2 per cent Tata Power 1661/4; 7 per cent Tata Hydro 165/10; 7 per cent Vishnu 175.

DEBENTURES

4 per cent Andhra Valley 104/12; 4 per cent Tata Power 105; 4 per cent Tata Chemical 210; 5 per cent Sholapur Rs. 64 Pd 72/8; 6 per cent Marsland Price 113/8.

RAILWAY SECTIONS

Ahmedabad Prantej 925; Central Provinces 107; Dhond Baramati xd 105; Gujarat 102/8; Hoshiarpur Doab 102; Mandra Bhon xd 108; Mymensing Rebate 101; Mymensing Gtd. 107; Pachora Jamner xd 100/8; Sialkot Narowal xd 115; Sialkot New 48; Sind Light 75; Upper Sind Light 116.

MISCELLANEOUS SECTION

Alembic Chemical 307/8; Alcock Ashdown 570; Associated Cement 221/8; B Petrol 2-2 1/2; Belapur 229; Bombay Burma old 356/4; Bombay Burma new 120; Bombay Steam 435; Indian Radio ord 367/8; Indian Radio defd 360; Investment Trust 53/12; Premier Construction 153; Port Canning 86; Scindia 25; Shivrajpur 60/8; Tata ord 356; Tata defd 1712/8? Tata Chemical 31/12; Tata Oil 84; Wimco 315; Burma Corporation 3/1; B.I.C. ord 6/2; Indian Copper 2-4 1/2; Indian Iron 32-4; Steel Corporation of Bengal 24/12; New Victoria ord 8.

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, Jan. 25

Tata Ordinary 355; Tata Deferred 1705; Indian Iron 32/8; Steel Corporation of Bengal 24/12; Bombay Dyeing 1735; Central India 426/4; Century 667/8; Gokak 366/4; Kohinoor 653/2; Simplex 280; Andhra Valley 1775; Tata Hydro 184/6; Tata Power 1680; Associated Cement 218; Belapur 230; Bombay Burma (old) 362/8.

Madras Share Bazar

MADRAS, Jan. 25.

Sugars and Breweries : Deccan Big 255; Deccan Small 61; India Sugar cd 11/12; Mysore Sugar 60/12; South India 12/8.

Plantings : Cochin Malabar cd 15/8; Chembra Peaks 9/10; High Produce 40; Kalpettas 38/8; Kalasa 12/12; Malankara 82; Manalur 7/4; Ouchterlony 10/6; Rajagiri 15; Vaikundam 18/12; Vellamalai 22/4; Vellitam 35; Woodlands 14/10.

Textiles : B and C ord 295; Cambodia 31/12; Dhanalaxmi 462/8; Janardhana 185; Kaleeswarar 565; Kothari Tex 21; Lakshmi 290; Lakshmi (new) 107/8; Mettur 265; Malabar Spg 535; Palani Andavar 200; Rajalakshmi 265; Vasantha 300.

Miscellaneous : Andhra Cement 86; Bruntons 12; Indian St. Roll 7/6; Mysore Lamps 19/12; Mysore Chem and Fert 22; Mysore Paper cd 21/4; Mysore Chem Mfrs 37/8; Mettur Chem 23/4; Do defd 7/10; Singareni 10/4; Spencer 7/12.

METAL EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS

Bombay, Jan. 25.

Copper sheets lb. 21 Rs. 250 28 227 35 227 42 215 49-56 210

Brass sheets Flag Brand lb. 20-21 Rs. 225 24 185 28 185 35 174 42 174 49-56 174

Spelter 'P.H.' Rs. 135 Rosita Rs. 130 Pig-lead 'B.M' Refind Rs. 75 per cwt.

Settlement rates :—

Copper sheets Chaiter Rs. d227.

Market tone : Steady.

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET

Bombay, Jan. 25.

On Saturday the New York cotton market was quiet with increased selling. The market fluctuated narrowly and there was scattered week-end profit-taking and hedging. The selling met some trade support However activity was light influenced by partly uncertainty over the effects of the 1943 loan programme and tendency to await action on parity legislation. Finally New Orleans selling developed and the market closed barely steady.

At the opening March was quoted one point down at 19.82. There was scattered buying and March advanced to 19.84 which was the highest level. Thereafter prices declined to 19.73 on increased selling. The market closed at a net decline of 6 to 7 points. Spot cotton prices were lowered 5 points at 21.46c. per lb.

The New Orleans cotton futures market was also quiet and closed at a decline of 7 to 10 points. Spot cotton prices declined 7 points at 20.39c. per lb.

PRIVATE CABLES—

New York March highest (10 a.m.)		19.84+03
New York March lowest (11-57 a.m.)		19.73—08

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, Jan. 25.

The local market opened firm to-day with moderate buying under the influence of encouraging war news. The market was expected to open at Rs. 403 for March delivery but opened firm at Rs. 406 and when the initial demand was satisfied, prices sagged under moderate realising and March was quoted at Rs 404/8.

To-day being the last day for Janfi Contract business was done at Rs. 432. There was professional buying and March advanced to Rs. 408/8.

At this level, there was some profit-taking and prices reacted to Rs. 407/8. There was further buying by professionals who is said to have bought about 20 000 during the day and prices advanced to Rs. 409/8. The market finally closed at 5 p.m. as under :—

I.C.C. March	Rs.	408	4 0
I.C.C. May		410	4 0

Cotton Tenders

	Bombay, Jan. 25. To-day	Total
I.C.C. January	4700	22650

COTTON ROOM RATES

Bombay, Jan. 25.

	Extra	Sprine	Sup	Fine	FG
Jarilla		423	418	413	408
Western		433	428	423	418
Saw-gd. 4 F.		443	438	433	
Pun/American 4 F.		423	418	413	408

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS

Bombay, Jan. 25.

Khandesh Jarilla + 5/15
Berar Jarilla + 15/30
C. P. 1 Jarilla + 40/55
C. P. 2 Jarilla + 25/35
4 F. Roller + 10/20
L.S.S. Roller + 90/105
289 F. Roller + 140/150
289 F. Saw-ginned + 180/200

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES

Bombay, Jan. 25.

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY

Since 1st Sept.

In full-pressed bales.

	23-1-43	This year	Last year
Khandesh	1,101	62,661	39,403
Central India	111	16,705	12,630
Barsi and Nagar	.....	10,764	31,722
Hyderabad/Gaorani	.....	9,041	4,526
Berar	.....	94,788	104,497
Central Provinces	.....	8,629	42,086
Total Oomras	1,212	202,588	234,864
Dholeras	379	12,164	16,008
N W Provinces	.....	507	1,021
Rajputana	44	.....	378
Sind-Punjab	2,726	296,020	239,796
Broach	101	22,468	24,663
Coompta and Dharwar	.....	53,536	6,413
Westerns-Northerns	.....	16,019	5,956
Cocoanada	.....	.....	.....
Tinnevelly and Cambodia	.....	14,596	8,476
Arrived by road to 21st January 1943	.....	28,500	57,500

TEJI MANDI PREMIUMS

Bombay, Jan. 25.

Linseed February	0	7	0
Groundnuts May	7	8	0
Castorseeds May	9	8	0
Silver Maha	4	0	0
Gold Maha	1	8	0

SEEDS MARKET

Bombay, Jan. 25.

The local seeds market was steady with improved demand for castorseeds. Groundnuts May opened at Rs 79-6 and steadied at Rs. 79-3. Castorseeds May were quoted at Rs. 83 and Linseed May delivery was done at Rs. 10-2-6. Tone was steady.

Castorseeds May :—			
Opening	81	12	0
Highest	83	12	0
Lowest	81	12	0
Closing	83	0	0
Groundnuts May :—			
Opening	78	15	0
Highest	79	12	0
Lowest	78	9	0
Closing	79	0	0
Linseed May	Rs. 10	3	3

GOVT. SECURITIES

Bombay, Jan. 25.

2 3/4 per cent 1948/52 Loan 99/0
3 1/2 per cent G P Notes 94
3 per cent 1949/52 Loan 100/6
3 per cent 1951/54 Loan 99/13
3 1/2 per cent 1947/50 Loan 103/14
3 per cent 1963/65 98/8
4 per cent 1943 Bonds 101/12
4 per cent 1960/70 Loan 110/6
4 1/2 per cent 1955/60 Loan 114
3 per cent 1946 Def Loan 102/14

TAX FREE LOANS

6 per cent 1945/55 Loan 108/3
4 per cent 1953/63 Mysore 117
5 per cent 1965 Mysore 128/8

CORPORATION DEBENTURES

4 per cent B P T 1974 108/8
4 per cent M Deb 1974 110/0
5 per cent M Deb 1959 118
5 per cent M Deb 1954 128
6 per cent K P T 1956 128

MONEY MARKET

Bombay, Jan. 25.

LONDON—
Banks buying 90 Days/St. 1/6 9/32 Two Months.
Bank buying 90 Days/St. 1/6 5/16 Three Months
Banks buying 90 Days/St. 1/6 5/16 Four Months
B. C. Rates T T 1/5 15/16 D D 1/5 15/16
Banks selling T T 1/5 31/32 D D 1/5 31/32
Banks buying T T 1/6 1/32 D D 1/6 5/32
LONDON/NEW YORK—
Banks selling T T Rs 332 3/4 D D Rs. 332 3/4
Banks buying T T Rs. 329 1/2 D D Rs. 326 1/2
LONDON/MONTREAL—
302 1/2
Banks selling T T Rs. 302 1/2 D D Rs.
Banks buying T T Rs. 297 3/4 D D Rs 294 3/4
LONDON/BERLIN—
Banks selling T T Fcs 125 3/4
Banks buying T T Fcs 131 1/2
LONDON/STOCKHOLM—
Banks selling T T K 123 D D K 123
Banks buying T T K 128 D D K 128
MEXICO/LONDON—
Banks selling T T Rs. 67.27 D D Rs. 66.27
Banks buying T T Rs. 63.04 D D Rs. 62.04
LISBON/LONDON—
Banks selling T T Ecs 7.35 nom D D Esc 7.35 nom
Banks buying T T Esc 7.55 nom D D Esc 7.55
AUSTRALIA/LONDON—
Banks selling T T 1/10 3/8 D D 1/10 3/8
Banks buying T T — D D 1/11 3/8
Tone of Sterling Exchange :—Very steady
Gold £8-8-0 Ready.
New York Silver 44 3/4
London Silver 23 1/2 Ready. 23 1/2 Forward.
London Discounts 3 months 1 1/16 per cent
London Discounts 6 months 1 1/8 per cent
Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent
Bank of England Rate 2 per cent.
Money :—Call one and two months 1/4 per cent
3 to 9 months 1/2 per cent
10 to 12 months 3/4 per cent
Tone :—Some enquiry.

LATEST COMMERCIAL

COTTON

MARCH

New York, Jan. 25.

Previous closing	19.75
To-day's opening	19.73
Difference	—.02

CROSS RATES

T T NEW YORK ON LONDON

New York, Jan. 25.

Previous closing	4.03 3/4
To-day's opening	not received

T T LONDON ON NEW YORK

London, Jan. 25

Previous closing	4.02 1/2	sellers	4.03 1/2 buyers
To-day's opening	4.02 1/2	sellers	4.03 1/2 buyers
To-day's closing	4.02 1/2	sellers	4.03 1/2 buyers

LONDON BULLION

LONDON GOLD

London, Jan. 25

London Gold (£8-8-0) £8-8-0

LONDON SILVER

London, Jan. 25.

Spot (23 1/2d) 23 1/2d
Forward (23 1/2d) 23 1/2d

CROSS RATES

London, Jan. 25.

London on Bombay (1-5 1/32 sellers 1-5 31/32 buyers) 1-5 31/32 sellers 1-5 31/32 buyers
New York on Bombay (30.37) 30.37

DISCOUNTS

3 months (1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent) 1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent
4 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent.
6 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent) 1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, Jan. 25.

General Motors (dol 45 3/4
Anaconda Copper (dol 26 3/8
U. S. Steel (dol 50 1/8)
U. S. Steel Preference (dol 114 6/8)

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, Jan. 25

The London Stock Exchange was quiet today.

AUSTRALIAN LOAN

3 per cent Commonwealth (£102 3/8) £102 1/2

BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent British Consols (£82 11/16) £82 5/8
3 per cent Conversion Loan (£107 1/4) £107 1/4
3 per cent Conversion Loan (£100 5/8) £100 5/8
4 per cent War Loan (£114 3/4) £114 3/4
3 1/2 per cent War Loan (£105 4/8) £105 3/8
3 per cent War Loan (£102 15/16) £102 £102 7/8
4 per cent Victory Bonds (£115) £113 6/8 Ex Div.

INDUSTRIALS

Standard Motors 24-0
Marks and Spencer Ordinary 45-0
Electric Music Industry 21-9
Pinchin Johnson 31-6
Imperial Chemical 38-9
Woolsworth Ordinary 57-9
San Paulo 5 per cent Coffee Rate £78 1/2
Dunlop Rubber 7 6 0
Unilever Ordinary 34-6
Ford Motors 31-9
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary £77 3/4
British American Tobacco Ordy £4 7/8
Carrears 'A' £6
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary £7 1/4
P and O Defd 32-6
Distillers 87-6
Bredford Dyers 15-1 1/2
British Celanese 17-4 1/2
J and P Coates 43-0
Courtaulds Ordinary 48-0
Fine Cotton Spinners 16-6
Vickers Limited Ordinary 20-1 1/2
Inter Nickels dol 49 1/8
Indian Iron 48-9

TEA SHARES

Assam 21-0
Donaro Tea 35-6
Rubber Plant 23-6

JUTE

Barnagore £7

RUBBER SHARES

Anglo-Dutch 14-6
Gula Kelampong 9-0
Rubber Plant 18-3

MINING SHARES

Nandydrug 19-4 1/2
Burma Corporation 5-6
Rio Tintos £10
East Rand Properties £1 25/32
Rand Mines £6 3/4

MINE SHARES

Crown Mining £8 1/2
Associated Portland Cement 60-0
Trinidad Leasehold 73-9
Sub-Nigel £5 11/16
Spring Mines Split Shares £0 7/8
Union Corporation 146-3

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian 33-9
Anglo-India 88-9
Burma Oil £3 1/8
Mexican Eagle 10-6
Shell Transport £3 7/16
Royal Dutch £26

RAILWAY SHARES

Great Western Ordinary £59 1/2
London Midland Ordinary £28 5/8
London North Eastern Defd £4 1/4
London Southern Defd £23 5/8
London Transport 5 per cent £131 1/2
London Transport 'C' £60 1/4

LONDON COMMODITIES

SEEDS

London, Jan. 25.

Castorseeds Bombay January/February (£35) £35 quoted
Linseed Calcutta January/February (£26) £26 quoted
Linseed La Plata January/February unquoted
Groundnut Coromandal January/February East Coast Indian shipment (£29 1/2 quoted) £29 1/2 quoted. West Coast Indian shipment (£31) £31 quoted

LONDON METALS

London, Jan. 25.

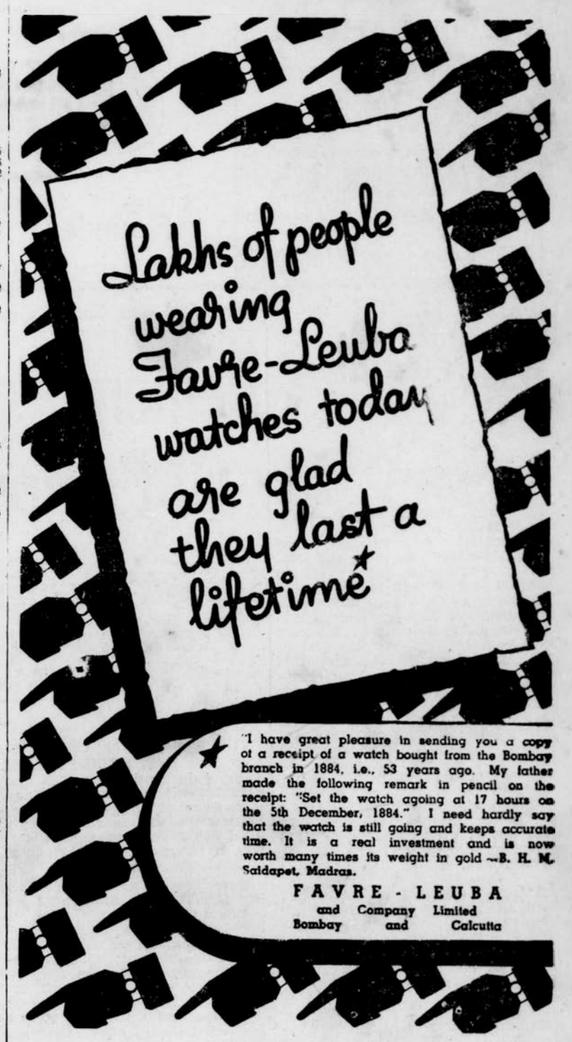
Electric Copper (£62) £62
Lead (£25) £25
Glasgow Iron No 3 (131 sh) 131 sh

WALL-STREET MARKET.

New York, Jan. 23

Messrs. Batlivala and Karani have issued the following quotations :—

	Dollars
Electric Bond and Share dol 5 Pfd	47 1/2
Electric Power and Lt. 7 per cent Pfd	32 1/2
American Telephone and Telegraph	130
New York Central R R	11 7/8
New York Central and Hudson River R R 5 per cent 2013	55
Chesapeake and Ohio	36
Union Pacific	83
N. Y. Chicago and St. Louis 6 per cent Pfd.	35
U. S. Steel	49 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	59
Crucible Steel	33 3/8
Anaconda Copper Mining	26 3/8
Int Nickel of Canada	32 1/2
General Motors	45 5/8
Chrysler Motor	69 1/2
Sears Roebuck	61
Eaton Manufacturing	36
Dupont de Nemours	139
National City Bank of N. Y.	27 5/8
Australia 5 per cent 1955	90 1/2
Consolidated Oil	7 1/4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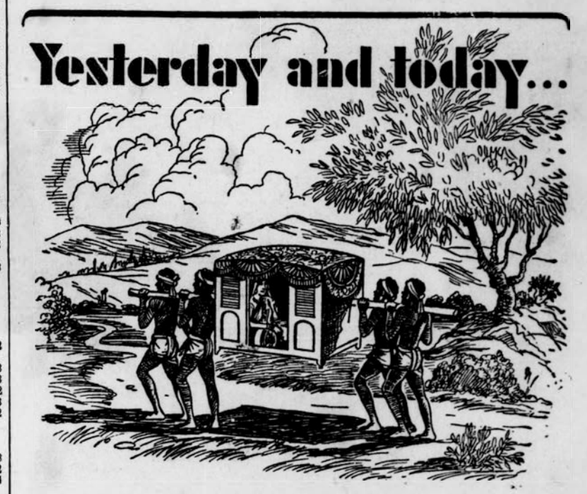

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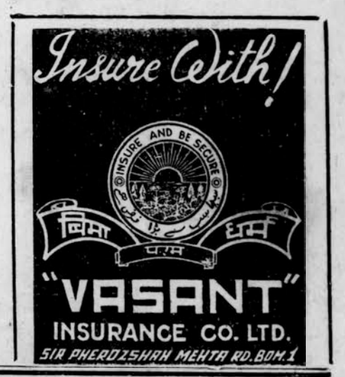

The Half-Column
By "Dim"

The net figure of the Poppy Day collection has gone over Rs. 70,000. Last year's figure (i.e. of 1941) when Red Poppies were exclusively for the British personnel touched only a little more than Rs. 20,000. So even the British ex-servicemen will be glad to hear that they will receive more this year when they share with Indians than they did before under the Chairmanship of his own kith and kin. This is the sort of reason why these class conscious places like the European Gymkhana should be opened up for Indian fighting men, because it is this sort of behaviour on the part of the Englishman in India that is standing in the way of the war effort and, therefore, also in the way of his victory.

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Mussolini has ordered a fiddle for himself. He says he wants to play on it, even as one of his ancestors did, when the R.A.F. burn Rome.

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Interviewed by the correspondent of the "Papiera Italiana," Mussolini said: "There's no place like Rome".

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In case you missed this report: In the High Court:—"The Chief Justice asked Sir Jamshed (Kanga) how the publication complained of constituted contempt of Court.

Sir Jamshed: The second report appeared on Nov. 26, a day before the races.

The Chief Justice: Is it an offence to publish reports a day before the races? (Laughter)."

SUNDAY PAPERS TO CLOSE DOWN IN PUNJAB

(From Our Correspondent)

LAHORE, January 25.

More than a dozen dailies in the Punjab, compelled by shortage of paper will stop their Sunday editions from next week.

"MURDER AND SUICIDE"

TORONTO, Jan. 25.

The bodies of Donald MacAskill aged 65, former Vice-President and General Manager of the International Nickel Company of Canada Ltd., and his wife Jan were found today in the redroom at their home. The police described the deaths as murder and suicide.—Reuter.

WALLACE'S VISION OF FUTURE AMERICA

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.

Vice-President Wallace today summed up his vision of the United States' future as "an America where all can become members of the middle class where all can share the benefits which that class has enjoyed in the past." He hoped that some kinds of easy money making had gone for good—money made by the manipulation of the security markets, speculative commodity markets or by the unrestricted use of business monopoly powers.—Reuter.

Death took place on Monday of Mr. F. H. Fahey of the South African Section of the Eastern Group Supply Council.

Civil Defence Conference

Demand For Relaxation Of Control Of Paper

Bengal Premier On Role Of Press In Maintaining People's Morale

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, Jan. 25.

One point which received considerable emphasis during general discussion at the Civil Defence Conference this morning was the need "to relax Government's control of paper—at least in the case of gentlemen press.

More than one speaker including the Premier of Bengal Reminded Government of the important part played by Press in maintaining the morale of the people and said: "supply them with as much paper as they require."

Sir P. N. Sapru reinforced this plea and said even from the defence point of view, the home front was as important as war front.

The speakers also pointed out the need of efficient plans for regular food supplies.

One Bengal speaker said that if people left towns and went to villages, it was in many cases because of scarcity of food stocks and the sudden rise in prices but not because of panic.

J. PRASAD ON A. R. P. EFFICIENCY

Bengal Premier Criticises Officials' "Ideas Of False Dignity"

NEW DELHI, January 25.

A.R.P. problems arising from the experience of the Calcutta raids and from the change in the war situation were discussed by Sir J. P. Srivastava, Civil Defence Member, Government of India in his inaugural speech at the Civil Defence Conference which opened this morning.

The war situation, he said, had recently improved and the threat to India was now much less than it had been a few weeks ago.

NO BREAKING UP OF A.R.P.

"As a result of the improved war situation", Sir Jwalaprasad went on "It will probably be possible to slow down A.R.P. preparations in those parts of the country where there is no immediate likelihood of an air raid, but we have no intention of doing anything which would break up the excellent organization which has been built up at such great trouble and expense."

Referring to evacuation, Sir Jwalaprasad said:

"The main object of the enemy is to cause fear, to frighten away the population and to dislocate the life of a city. Many people fall victim to this needless fear and try to run right away. To rush away blindly abandoning one's employment and not waiting to consider the matter from every point of view, is merely playing the enemy's game for him and making his task much easier.

CALCUTTA LESSONS.

"We have now had the experience of Calcutta. The amount of damage done is so small that one cannot help feeling that those who ran away towards the end of December, were very ill-advised to do so. They have undergone a great deal of loss and suffering themselves and have not been fair to their employers and others who were wiser to stay behind.

MORE NUISANCE.

Here again, I would recall the experience of Chungking where in spite of the most devastating bombing, there is not the least dislocation and people have come to look upon bombing as a routine nuisance and nothing more. I am sure, after we have got used to air raids, we shall be found equally ready to "take it" and the enemy will soon find that India, the land of Rajputs, Mahrattas and Muslims who have already given such a wonderful account of themselves in the battle field, is not going to take any notice of these bombing skirmishes."

"CITIZEN FRONT."

Earlier in his speech, Sir Jwalaprasad alluded to the importance of building up a "Citizens Front", which he said, he had stressed in the course of statements during his recent tour of the country. As a result of his tour he had in his possession all the data he needed and he asked the Conference to advise him on what should be done to secure the maximum amount of co-operation from the public.

"We have here officials and non-officials sitting together to evolve a common policy which would be of benefit to both. In evolving this policy, we have to remember the constitutional position which is beyond the scope of this Conference."—A. P.

REPRESENTATIVES SPEAK.

After the opening address, a number of representatives from the provinces made general observations based on experience. These were Mr. Fazlul Huq, the Maharaja of Parlakimedi, Premier of Orissa, Khan Saheb Muddabir Hussain, Minister, Assam, Mr. Basu, Minister, Bengal, Pandit H. N. Kunzru, Mr. P. N. Sapru, Mr. Wadhwani, Minister, Sind, Mr. R. Mukerjee.

Speaking on behalf of labour, Dr. B. S. Moonje, Mr. Baig, President, Central A. R. P. Committee, Bombay, Sir B. P. Singh Roy, Sir Ziauddin, Sir Cowasji Jehangir, Sir T. Ameer Ali, Mr. Chakkarai Chettiar and Sir Muthia Chettiar, from Madras, Sir Gokulchand Narang.

OFFICIALS' ATTITUDE CRITICISED.

Mr. Fazlul Huq commented on the attitude of a few permanent officials and asked them to realise that Indians who came forward to serve in the A.R.P. organisation came from a supreme sense of duty. The premier suggested that the Government of India should give a hint to officials to throw off all ideas of false dignity. He stressed the need for illustrated pamphlets and magazines to carry on A.R.P. propaganda and asked the Conference to recommend to the Government of India to relax paper control so as to assist propaganda.

The Maharaja of Parlakimedi and Sir S. P. Singh Roy then spoke.

Mr. P. N. Sapru said a political settlement might not be in their power, but what was in their power was to make A.R.P. organisation more popular than it was to-day.

Mr. Wadhwani, Minister, Sind, said until we had experts of our own we had to get the help of foreign experts who came forward.

BOMBAY EXPERIENCE.

Mr. Baig described the organisation of his committee in Bombay, and said it was in no sense a mere advisory body but had executive responsibility. It was only by placing such executive responsibility in the hands of the people that the co-operation of the people could be got.

Pandit Kunzru supporting Mr. Sapru's observations said it was true that non-officials took interest in Civil Defence. It spoke volumes for their sense of responsibility that they had done so, but everyone could see for himself that there would be a complete change of atmosphere in the country if our political status was different and if we could regard ourselves as free as the Englishmen were.

The Conference will go into committee to-morrow to discuss questions of detail regarding Civil Defence in the provinces.—A. P.

Missing U. S. Airliner Located Near Chaparla

LIMA (Peru), Jan. 24.

The missing pan-American airliner carrying officials of the British embassy at Washington was located on Sunday about 15 miles from Chaparla.

A search plane reported that the machine was apparently damaged. Signs of life were observed.—Reuter.

MORE FOOD RATIONING MAY COME IN U. S.

WASHINGTON, January 25.

The United States Secretary of Agriculture Mr. C. R Wickard in his annual report to President Roosevelt warned the Americans that it was possible that additional rationing of food would be necessary this year.

He revealed in his report that farmers last year harvested a record yield per acre averaging 13 per cent above the 1941 record and 16 per cent higher than the 1937. The production of livestock and dairy produce also broke all previous records. The total production—crops plus livestock—was about 10 per cent higher than in 1941.

The total production asked for in 1943 is only slightly above that of 1942 but the call for livestock production is 10 per cent higher.

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HUNT FOR NEW UNITY

"New York Times" Deplores Division Among Democracies

NEW YORK, Jan. 25.

Encouragement at the reports that the United Nations have been conducting "momentous discussions" for new unity among themselves and for more intensive and better integrated prosecution of war on the political as well military front is expressed in several New York newspapers, to-day.

"The New York Times" wrote: "With the United States emerging as the most important military factor in both supplies and new man-power the time has come for concerted and integrated offensives and co-ordination of common effort towards common aims."

Discussing the division among the democracies as to the kind of democracy they are fighting for "The New York Times" goes on: "This division runs not so much between the various United Nations as within the nations themselves. It is illustrated in the current debate about post-war world. It was at the bottom of the collapse of democratic nations like France and is still at the bottom of political feuds in North Africa. It hampers democratic war effort and holds out the possibility of future trouble after victory".—Reuter.

'SIND OBSERVER' EDITOR CONVICTED

LUCKNOW, Jan. 25.

Mr. K. Punniah, Editor of the "Sind Observer," Karachi, was sentenced today by the Chief Judge Sir George Thomas and Mr. Justice Bennett of the Oudh Chief Court to pay a fine of Rs. 500 or in default to undergo six months simple imprisonment for contempt of court.

The contempt case against Mr. K. Punniah, editor of the "Sind Observer", Karachi, was taken up before a Bench consisting of the Chief Judge Sir George Hector Thomas, and Mr. Justice Bennett, to-day.

The contempt was in respect of an article which appeared in the "Sind Observer" dated September 6, 1942, in connection with the dismissal of the appeal filed by Mr. K. Ramarao, editor of the "National Herald" Lucknow, against his conviction in the defamation case.

The notice which was served on Mr. Punniah referred to two sentences of the article which were alleged to be contempt namely (A) "while the confirmation of his sentence on appeal is a said commentary on the independence of judiciary today" and (B) "the decision of the Oudh Chief Court strikes, to say the least, a very jarring note in the otherwise conciliatory tone the Government has been grudgingly adopting in regard to the Press".

Mr. R. F. Bahadurji assisted by Mr. Onkar Singh appeared for Mr. Punniah and after having read the article in question, Mr. Bahadurji stated that Mr. Punniah was not present in Karachi on the date on which the article in question appeared in the paper but as he was the editor he took full responsibility for article. Mr. Bahadurji in defence filed a sworn affidavit of Mr. Punnah, in which the circumstances under which the article appeared were mentioned and that the editor, Mr. Punniah, attended the All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference at Bombay from 5th to 10th October 1942, and then had proceeded on leave upto November 16, 1942. When he returned to Karachi on 20th of November the notice issued by the court was served on him. In the affidavit Mr. Punniah expressed his regret and tendered an apology.

The counsel further argued that Mr. Punniah had been a journalist for the past 35 years and had been editor of the "Sind Observer" for the last 22 years and during his long period of his editorship this was the first occasion on which an article containing 'contempt of court' unwittingly appeared.

The Chief Judge remarked that the article in question practically imputed dishonesty to the judge, who heard the appeal and that it was a very gross contempt.

After further arguments the bench convicted Mr. K. Punniah and sentenced him to pay a fine of Rs. 500 or in default to undergo six months simple imprisonment. The cost of the Government advocate was also allowed.

The Government advocate Mr H. K. Ghosh appeared in support of the rule.—A. P.

Sir A. M. K. Dehlavi delivering his presidential address at the Iqbal Trophy for Urdu Elocution meeting at Kesarbaug on Sunday Mr M. A. Jinnah to whom a Students' purse was presented is seen seated at the table.

OVERWHELMING OFFENSIVE PLANNED AGAINST JAPAN

But Won't Take Place Until Axis Are Crippled In Europe

HONOLULU, Jan. 24.

An overwhelming offensive strategy is undoubtedly planned against the Japanese, the Chief of New Zealand's Air Staff, Air Commodore R V. Goddard who is in Hawaii on Pacific war business told Reuter's here yesterday.

When and where it will take shape may remain unknown until the Axis are crippled in Europe He said.

Air Commodore Goddard, who was Chief of Air Staff, with the British army in France, added: "Japan's war effort is not exactly dependent on Germany's fortunes in Europe but successive defeats of her confederates could not help but have a demoralising effect on Japan."—Reuter.

Hitler Experiences 3 Months' Of Unbroken Disaster

LONDON, Jan. 24.

A "Daily Telegraph" editorial, on Monday says that another week has brought fresh quickening in the pace of Hitler's great retreats, and repercussions of nearly three months of unbroken disaster in the military field "are becoming perceptible along Hitler's diplomatic front."

Declaring that Hitler's satellites are becoming restive if not actually mutinous, the editorial continues: "Fear, desire to be on the winning side and the hope of a modest niche in the New Order were ties which bound them to him. All were derived from the assumption of German invincibility.

Now that this assumption is being unmasked by facts as a myth which the more far seeing and stout hearted of mankind always knew it to be the junior confederates are intelligibly impelled to take fresh stock of their position.

Significant evidence of the changing outlook is the mounting tale of surrender among their contingents in Russia."

UNITED NATIONS HELP TO AMERICA

WASHINGTON, Jan 25.

The United States Lease-Lend Administrator Mr. Edward Stettinius giving striking figures of the aid the United States has received from other United Nations, said that for the north Africa campaign alone Britain had provided two-thirds of warships and transports for the original landing.

U. S. MINISTER TO CANADA DEAD AT OTTAWA

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.

The United States' Minister to Canada, Mr. Jay Pierrepont Moffat, has died at Ottawa. He was 46.

He previously served in Tokyo and Sydney.—Reuter.

JUTE GODOWN GUTTED

CALCUTTA, Jan. 25.

A big fire brouke out this morning in a jute godown on Barrackpore Trunk Road, Cossipore. The godown contained 'kutcha' bales of jute.

The fire brigade with 2 engines, 6 trailer pumps and 32 jets fought the flames for about two hours and brought them under control.

The American volunteers and A. R. P. rendered valuable service.—United Press.

It's For Indian Traders' Benefit!

Ceylon Labour Ministers On Proposed Textile Regulations

COLOMBO, Jan. 20.

Without controverting the fact that the proposed textile regulations will adversely affect a few individual Indian traders, Mr. G. C. S. Corea, Minister of Labour, Industry and Commerce, hotly contests in the course of an interview to the "Times of Ceylon" —the allegation that the regulations were inspired by anti-Indian feeling.

"There can be no anti-Indian feeling at all", he said. "If anybody is to benefit by these new proposals it will entirely be the Indian. What will happen is that a few Indians who left Ceylon will lose the trade. Which will, however, go to other traders who are Indians.

"Then again, if it is suggested that these proposals are an indication of anti-Indian feeling, it has only to be pointed out that the Controller of Textiles is entirely responsible for this idea, and being himself an Indian, any desire to do anything unjust towards his own countrymen can scarcely be attributed to him".

Explaining the contentious proposal confining the issue of licences to those who traded continuously from a date prior to July 1941, to October 1942, Mr. Corea said that this would no doubt leave out some of those traders who had gone away during that period.—A. P.

Supersession Extended

Of Ahmedabad, Sangamner And Malvan Municipalities

The Director of Information, Bombay, writes:—

The period of supersession of the Municipalities of Ahmedabad and Malwan has been extended, upto August 21, 1943, in the case of the former and upto June 1 in the case of the latter.

The period of supersession of Sangamner Municipality has been extended to March 15.

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